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## Police: Alcohol and speed suspected in fatal accident

Alcohol and speed may have been factors in the early Sunday morning crash that killed a 20-year-old Westland man and severely injured his fiancée, also 20, on Five Mile in Livonia.

According to Livonia police reports, Anthony Cosenza was killed when the Mercury Sable that he was driving was struck broadside by a Camaro driven by a 16-year-old Livonia boy heading west on Five Mile at about 12:35 a.m. Cosenza's fiancée, Amy Adams, is still hospitalized from her injuries.

Cosenza and Adams were leaving the 1 Under bar and restaurant, where they worked.

While Livonia police suspect that alcohol and excessive speed were factors, the crash is still under investigation by the traffic bureau, said Lt. Greg Winn.

Charges may be announced later this week, after results from a blood test are available. Sgt. David Stuett said police do not suspect Cosenza had been drinking.

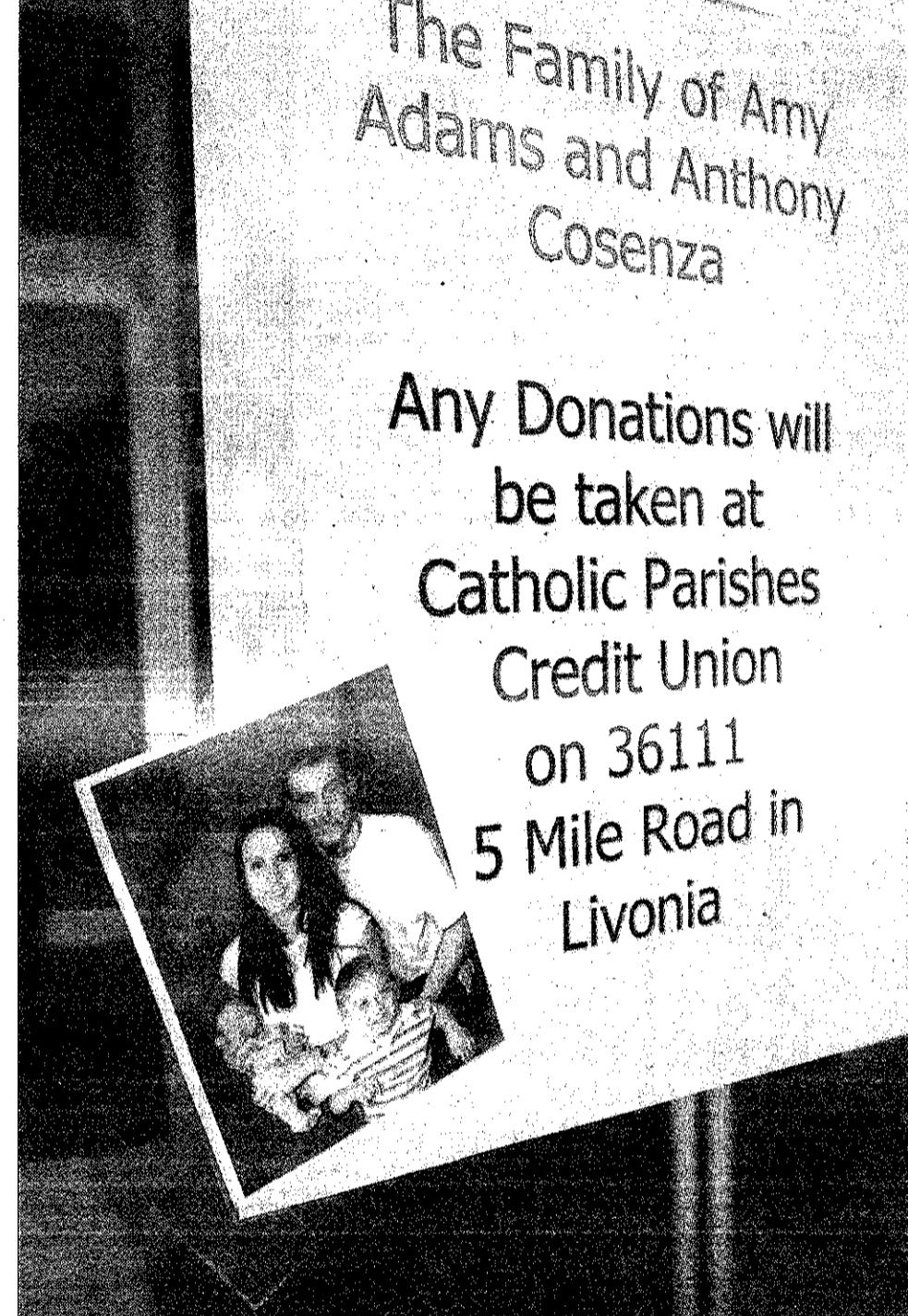
The 16-year-old driver, a sophomore at Stevenson High School in Livonia, was treated and released from St. Mary Mercy Hospital, according to reports.

Cosenza, who was scheduled to graduate from the Cambridge Alternative High School in Garden City on May 30, was pronounced dead at the scene. Adams, who is also a Westland resident, was being

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The Mercury Sable that Anthony Cosenza and Amy Adams were riding in was hit broadside on Five Mile Road. Police took this photo at the scene of the fatal crash.



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A photograph of the family is posted on the entrance to the bar.

## Police plan crackdown on underage drinking

BY DARRELL CLEM  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's a potentially deadly mix — underage drinking and alcohol — that Westland police hope to thwart in this season of graduation parties, senior proms and summer celebrations.

Officers will launch a special effort to catch minors with alcohol beginning May 30, a day that coincides with Westland John Glenn High School's prom, police Sgt. Ron Kroll said.

The crackdown will continue through September. Using decoys, police will bust parties

where minors drink alcohol, issue tickets to party stores that sell booze to young people and patrol places like the Westland Summer Festival where crowds congregate, Kroll said.

Adults who contribute to underage drinking will be ticketed, too.

Offenders could be slapped with misdemeanor offenses that carry penalties ranging up to 90 days in jail and hundreds of dollars in fines. Party stores also could potentially have their licenses suspended or revoked by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

Penalties could increase for

alcohol offenses involving situations like traffic accidents that leave victims injured or dead.

"We're going to have strict enforcement of minors in possession of alcohol," Kroll said.

Local police in Westland and neighboring Garden City and Wayne will use federal grant dollars to help pay for overtime costs for officers, including those who work undercover, he said.

The initiative won praise from Westland Youth Assistance Program Director Paul Motz, whose organization helps hundreds of youths each year for problems that

can involve alcohol.

"I applaud the police department for taking an active role in dealing with some of these things before they get out of hand," Motz said. "When young people use alcohol and drugs, they can become addicted quickly, and that can lead to lifelong problems."

Motz encouraged party stores, parents and teen peers to become involved in fighting a problem that can have dire consequences.

"It really needs to be a joint effort," he said.

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## Teams take walk for Relay for Life

BY DARRELL CLEM  
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Westland will give its latest cancer-fighting Relay for Life event a little red carpet appeal with a Hollywood theme.

It'll be Tinseltown-meets-Motown suburb when crowds gather at Jaycees Park, southeast of Wildwood and Hunter, for a 24-hour American Cancer Society fund-raiser that starts with opening ceremonies at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 31.

In all, 34 teams hope to raise more than \$100,000, ACS spokeswoman Holly Soranno said.

Some participants plan to dress up as their favorite Hollywood stars for certain events, and some teams will decorate their camp sites with a nod to the motion picture industry, said Westland City Councilman Michael Kehrer, the city's Relay public relations spokesman.

"Every year we try to have a theme just to make it fun," he said.

Still, the event will have its serious moments. Cancer survivors will walk a lap around Jaycees Park at 4 p.m. May 31, and small flames of remembrance will light up the night at 10 p.m. that day with a luminary ceremony.

"That's usually the most sol-

emn of all the events," Kehrer said.

As Relay for Life nears, fund-raising teams continue to seek donations to help organizers reach their goals. One of the latest involves Westland police officers working with LongHorn Steakhouse servers 4-9 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at the restaurant on Warren west of Wayne.

Officers will turn all their tips over to the American Cancer Society, and LongHorn team spokeswoman Debbie Lindquist said many of the restaurant's workers also plan to attend Relay and sell food to raise money.

Lindquist called the LongHorn fund-raiser T.A.P. (Tip A Police Officer), and she said fliers have been sent to local schools and businesses to promote it.

Numerous teams have been involved for months raising money to help Relay. This week, Kehrer issued an invitation for the community to attend the event, even people who just want to stop by to observe it.

For more information about Relay, call Holly Soranno at (248) 663-3452 or send an e-mail to [holly.soranno@cancer.org](mailto:holly.soranno@cancer.org).

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## Veterans remembered with annual parade

BY DARRELL CLEM  
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In a show of patriotism, Westland and Wayne will host a Memorial Day parade Sunday, one day before the holiday that honors U.S. men and women who have died in military service to their country.

Barring weather-related problems, veterans groups and others will gather at Town & Country Lanes for a parade that will depart at 1 p.m. from the bowling alley at Wayne and Avondale, moving south to the Peace Memorial near the Wayne library.

Westland police Sgt. Ron Kroll confirmed that Wayne Road will be closed south of Cherry Hill while the parade is en route. He said motorists will need to find an alternate route starting around 12:30 p.m., and he estimated the road will be reopened within two hours.

Veterans from the Bova VFW Post 9885 and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 387 will lead the parade, which will feature numerous veterans organizations, youth groups, John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high school marching bands,

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JOSEPH "LARRY" TEBOR, post commander for Westland-based Bova post

clowns and floats, said Joseph "Larry" Tebor, a Livonia resident and post commander for the Westland-based Bova post.

The parade, organized by the Wayne-Westland Veterans Memorial Day Parade Council, alternates each year with a starting point in Westland and Wayne. This year, local AMVETS member and parade coordinator Bruce Robertson died while the event was being planned, but Tebor commended Robertson's daughter, Heather, for finishing her father's work.

"His daughter really stepped up and helped," Tebor said.

Tebor has only one request of parade spectators as they see the U.S. flag passing by.

"I would ask people to show the proper respect for the flag by standing up and putting their hand over their heart," he said.

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## Dem club meets

The Westland Democratic Club will be considering candidate endorsements when the group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at the Dorsey Center, 32715 Dorsey, just east of Venoy between Palmer and Michigan Avenue. The board will meet at 6:30 p.m. immediately prior to the meeting.

## Car wash

The Lutheran Church of Our Savior will hold a free car wash 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at the church at 29425 Annapolis, Westland. The church also holds a community forum 7-8:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month. For more information, call (734) 728-3440.

## Flea market

The parking lot of Westland Bowl on Wayne Road north of Ford will be the site of four flea weekend flea markets, beginning Saturday, Sunday, May 31-June 1. Vendors can reserve a spot for \$10 a day. Table rental is \$5 for a six-foot table. Spaces measure 9 1/2 feet by 18 feet. Flea markets also will be held June 28-29, July 12-13 and Aug. 9-10. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For information or to reserve a spot, call Tara at (734) 732-6895.

## Blood drive

The Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union will hold an American Red Cross blood drive 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 30, at its offices on Wayne Road south of Cherry Hill. Call Jenny Hale at (734) 721-5700.

## ON THE WEB

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to schedule a blood donation appointment. Walk-ins also are welcome.

## Bound for Olympics

The Westland Parks and Recreation Department's Westland Stars is inviting dance teams, studios and community recreation dancers to join them in competing in the dance division of this summer's Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympic Games. The event is open to teams and individuals in standard dance - jazz, tap, ballet, lyrical hip hop etc., ballroom/swing, and clogging.

The AAU Junior Olympic Games will take place July 23-Aug. 2 in the metro Detroit area. The dance event will be held at the Allen Park Performing Arts Center July 28-30. Information can be found at [www.aausports.org](http://www.aausports.org).

## Anniversary week

Texas Roadhouse will celebrate its first anniversary with a week filled with prizes and great food. The special week will be Monday-Sunday, May 19-25, and feature themed days. Monday will be Cartoon Day (Kids Night with our mascot Andy the Armadillo), Tuesday '80s Day, Wednesday Wild West

Wednesday, Thursday Tigers Day, Friday Crazy Hat Day/Tie Dye Shirt Day, Saturday Sports Day and Sunday Hawaiian Day. There also will be prizes like charcoal broiler gas grill, a Detroit Tigers jersey, 12 months of dinner for two, steak sauces, rolls and discounts on purchases.

Texas Roadhouse is on Ford west of Wayne Road in the civic center area.

## Constituent hours

The staff of U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, will hold office hours in several locations in January. The time is set aside so that the citizens served by the congressman have the opportunity to speak with a staff member one on one regarding any federal issue that they might have.

Tuesday, June 3, office hours are 9-10 a.m. at Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Redford Community Center, 1-2 p.m. at the Maplewood Community Center in Garden City and 2:30-3:30 p.m. at the Westland senior Friendship Center. Office hours for Thursday, June 5, are 9-10 a.m. at the Canton Summit Senior Center, 11 a.m.-noon at the Northville Senior Center, 12:30-1:30 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library and 2:30-3:30 p.m. at the Van Buren September Days Senior Center. The congressman has two offices in Livonia and Milford the district to serve constituents. The Livonia office can be reached by calling (734) 632-0314 and the Milford office is available at (248) 685-9495.

## CORRECTION

A story in the Sunday, May 18, edition of the *Observer* should have indicated that eight VFW ladies Auxiliaries sponsored Young American

Creative Patriotic Art Award competition with eight of 14 students receiving first-place honors. The Wayne Memorial winner was Joi Woolfork.

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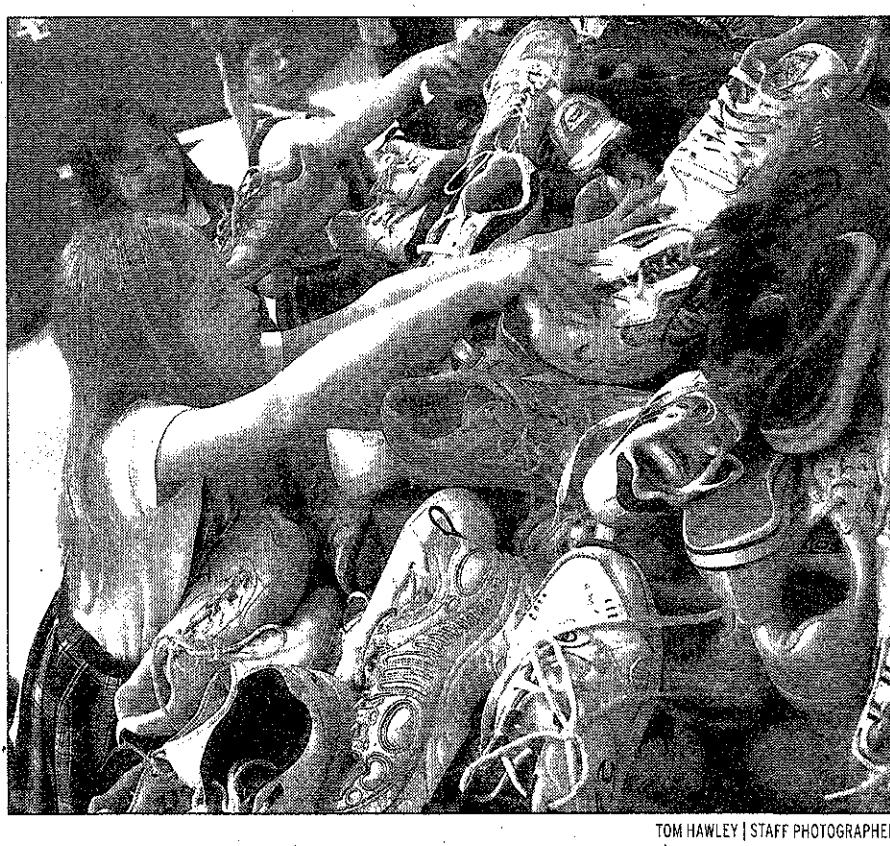
# Collection creates 'mountain' of shoes

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

What started as a second-grade class recycling project at St. Raphael Catholic School resulted in pile of athletic shoes that was a couple of feet wide and a couple of feet tall.

No one had taken a count, but teacher Kathy Hermann estimated 200-300 used tennis shoes had been donated for recycling into playgrounds, basketball courts and walking tracks.

"We originally started this on Earth Day — this was just for second-graders, then we opened it up to the whole school," Hermann said. "The older kids came through and asked what we were doing, so they brought their shoes. Then the parents saw it and they



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brought in more shoes."

Members of Fast Pace Fitness in Garden City donated more than 30 pairs of used athletic shoes at a collection point set up at the business.

In a project aimed at teaching students firsthand about recycling, the donated sneakers will be sliced into three parts — top slice of fabric will be used to make basketball courts, the middle foam slice

will turned into playgrounds and the bottom which is rubber will be made into running tracks. It takes about 5,000 sneakers to make a new basketball court.

"The kids have been very excited. This was supposed to end last week but the shoes keep coming in," said Judy Rausch, the school's other second-grade teacher.

The class project also got

some television coverage, Rausch said, after they read about the recycling effort in the *Garden City Observer*.

"This has been a big to-do for us," she said.

The school collection is continuing since the shoes will have to be driven to the collection point in Lansing once school is out next month.

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## William P. Faust Library needs teen volunteers

Teens looking for something to do this summer can find it at the William P. Faust Public Library.

The library is looking for teen volunteers to help with the 2008 Summer Reading

Program, "Catch the Reading Bug!" Volunteers will help in the Children's Department and assist at many of the library's summer events.

It's an opportunity for teens to earn valuable experience and

service hours for their school or community organization.

Volunteers should currently be in the eighth grade or above.

Applications are available at the library and must be submitted by Friday, May 23. All volun-

teers will be asked to attend one of three training sessions:

- Tuesday, May 27, Wednesday,

May 28, or Monday, June 2.

For more information, call

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# Ceremony Sunday remembers 17 British airmen

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While people will gather to remember Americans who have given their lives for their country, a little known ceremony will take place Sunday in Flat Rock to honor 17 British airmen who died while in the United States.

The Oak Ridge Cemetery will be the site of the memorial service presented by the members of the Royal Canadian Legion Post 92. Members will meet at 10:45

a.m. at the UAW Hall at 24250 Telegraph Road and march the quarter-mile to the cemetery, where they will place flowers on the graves. Participants will march back to the UAW Hall, where they will be dismissed at noon.

"Many of these are airmen who died around the United States during World War II," said Barbara Gunther, the post adjutant and a Westland resident. "They died over peaceful skies over a country they thought would be their home for only a short while."

The post, located on Beech Daly in Dearborn Heights, originally was commissioned to care for the graves on behalf of the British monarchy. That has since changed to the Dominion in Ottawa, Canada, Gunther said.

Eleven of the airmen died in accidents that "attracted scant attention" between 1942 and 1944 and were buried at Oak Ridge Cemetery with full military honors. The other six graves are airmen who were aboard a Royal Air Force Vulcan jet bomber that

crashed into three homes on Ashland Street in Detroit on Oct. 24, 1958.

Gunther believes the post, which originally was Downriver, has been tending to the graves since the airmen died. The post was selected because its members served or had family members who served in the royal services under the king and queen of England.

Gunther is a third-generation member of the post. Her grandfather was from Canada and served in the British

military during World War I. He joined the RCL and her grandmother was a member of the auxiliary. Her mother also was a member. With dwindling membership, there no longer is an auxiliary and women are admitted as post members.

"We're not getting as many veterans as we got during the wars and the older people don't realize there's a post they can belong to," Gunther said. "Right now, there's not that many veterans from the royal branches interested in

joining over here."

People who had a family member who served in the royal military services for the king and queen are eligible to join. For more information, call Jim Hughes, the post membership chairman, at (734) 946-5328.

"We have members scattered around the United States, we even have one in Mexico, but the number of active members is small," Gunther said.

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# American explains how China handles earthquake

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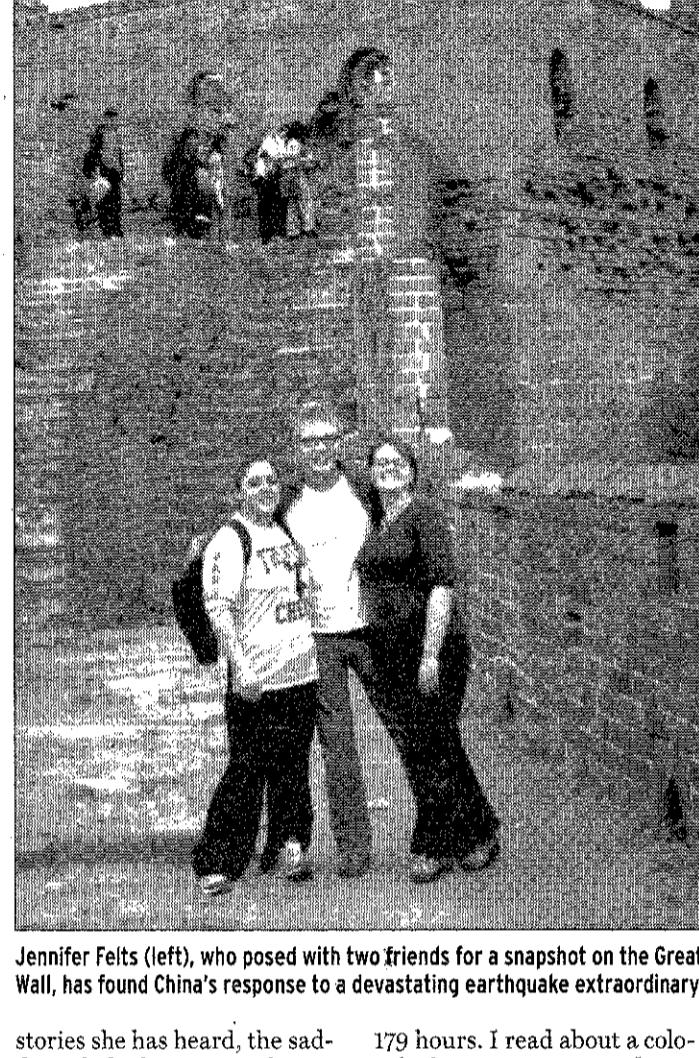
According to Jennifer Felts, the death toll by Tuesday had passed the 50,000 mark and rescuers were still pulling people, both alive and dead, out of the wreckage. She stated that reason for the tremendous loss of life is the collapse of buildings not built to earthquake proof standards. The reason, she wrote, is that many city officials especially in rural areas are subject to bribery.

"Most of the buildings that were collapsing, such as schools, were poor enough that they were affected by this practice," she wrote. "This is something I say is common knowledge. Bribes exchanged hands and, as is obvious, schools and other building were not built to standards, most specifically earthquake proofing, like the government buildings which are mostly still standing."

However, China's response to the disaster "makes the U.S. look like Mickey Mouse." Chinese workers, police and the military were dispatched immediately, and there were more than 20,000 rescuers in the area the very next day. Volunteers continue to pour in.

"If we had been that quick after Katrina, who knows what might have happened," Jennifer Felts wrote.

She also wrote about several



Jennifer Felts (left), who posed with two friends for a snapshot on the Great Wall, has found China's response to a devastating earthquake extraordinary.

stories she has heard, the saddest of which was a teacher who was supposed to start his honeymoon on Tuesday. Monday, when the earthquake hit, he ran back into the school as it was happening and pulled out five students. He then ran back in again, pulling out three more children and pushed them out the door as the building collapsed. He lost his life.

"Many stories of hope and courage have come from this tragedy as well," she wrote. "Relief workers rescued a man just who had been trapped for

179 hours. I read about a colonel whose troops rescued more than 7,000 people, though he was unable to save his 29 relatives that also lived in the area."

## TRAPPED ON A BUS

One story that hits close to home involves a college friend who is an editor and features writer at the China Daily, the largest newspaper in China. He was supposed to go to the Sichuan province for a story, but at the last minute another reporter was sent. She wasn't

heard of for days.

"She was on a bus with a few other reporters when the quake began. She said that they didn't know what was happening, but the driver did and opened the door and got out and started running," Jennifer Felts told her grandmother. "They sat there for a moment, confused,

and then a rock slide hit their bus. It was pushed and tipped over, teetering on the edge of a ravine."

## TRAPPED IN BUS

According to the e-mail, Chen, who was pinned between the backseat and her laptop, said they were lucky because they had just passed over a huge bridge. When she looked back later, she saw that it had collapsed.

The bus was trapped under massive rocks for three hours when three men, one of whom was Tibetan, pried open a hole in the bus's cab with an iron bar and tree branches, and pulled them out one by one. It was cold and raining, so they all took shelter in a bus and spent the night taking turns looking for falling rocks and snakes that had been disturbed by the quake.

The next day they were able to forage for food and found some vegetables from an overturned truck on the road. They only saw one vehicle headed for the quake's epicenter in Wenchuan. It didn't want to take them back because they were eager to help where the damage was greatest, she wrote.

"So on Wednesday morning they left three severely injured members of their group and started walking, led by the Tibetan man, up the steep and muddy mountain path," Jennifer Felts wrote.

"They walked for nine hours and eventually were rescued,

as were the three people left behind. Chen was examined

by doctors and, though it says it "wasn't serious" in the article she wrote for China Daily, she had a broken neck when the rock slide first happened.

"The story was mind-blowing, and made more emotional for me knowing that that was very nearly my friend in her place."

On Monday, the whole of China came to a halt for three minutes beginning at 2:28 p.m. People stood outside and bowed their heads and stood still, even the children. Everywhere around them were the sounds of car horns, air raid sirens, train, motorcycle and ship horns bellowing for three minutes.

Tiananmen Square was filled that day with people waving 'Rebuild Sichuan' flags and singing the national anthem during that time," she wrote.

According to Jennifer Felts, the entire nation participated. The stock exchange was halted, all work was suspended, and black kites were flown. Even the television was blacked out. In Lhasa, the capital of Tibet, people gathered in mass in front of the Potala Palace to mourn the dead and share in prayer.

"You'll note that I mentioned Tibet a couple of times in this article, hopefully this will demonstrate the degree to which the situation between China and Tibet has been exaggerated in the foreign media, and how much these people still care deeply about their fellow man," she wrote. "A great beacon of hope grows from the losses of the thousands of lives, and now the nation needs time to heal. I am happy to be a part of such a tremendous outpouring of caring and character, even if it had to be accompanied by the worst of situations imaginable."

"And if you want to read any earthquake coverage, I recommend www.chinadaily.com.cn."

## CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Thursday, May 29, 2008, various items of the City Westland Police Department will be sold at public auction. The auction will be held at Insurance Auto Auction, 8251 Rawsonville Road, County of Wayne, at 10:30 a.m. The following items will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

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# Retirement misconceptions make it hard to plan for future

**A**s I prepared for the *Observer & Eccentric Senior Expo* this week, I reviewed some of the myths and misconceptions of retirement. They can seriously impair someone's ability to enjoy their retirement years. So for those who could not attend the Expo, here's a recap.

One myth about retirement I constantly hear is you can live on considerably less than when you were working.

Although certain expenses will be lower in retirement (your home may be paid off and your kids — hopefully — will be off your payroll), there will be other new



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

expenses that you begin to incur because of more free time. Retirees today do not sit back and watch TV.

They are traveling all over the world in record numbers. The

thought that you can live on less in retirement tends to give a false sense of security.

There is nothing worse than being retired and realizing you don't have the money to maintain your lifestyle.

A misconception about retirement is that once you

retire, your cost of living remains flat. Nothing is further from the truth. Health care, food, entertainment, travel — you name it — all increase over time. In addition, there will be new technologies and services you

will want to take advantage of. After all, 20 years ago who thought that you would have a monthly bill for something called the Internet?

Another myth is you can use the life expectancy tables to determine how long you will live in retirement.

If you look at life expectancy tables, the average American lives into his/her early 80s. However, that is only an average. What if you

live past your 80s? Are you going to have the resources to maintain your lifestyle and to take advantage of new technologies that may increase the quality of your life?

I tell investors that people retiring in their early and mid-60s should plan for a 30- to 35-year time horizon.

Another misconception is upon retirement your investment portfolio should be ultra-conservative.

The thought process is in a stock market downturn, you may not have time to wait for a recovery. That doesn't make sense. What that assumes is all people in retirement are the same.

Obviously, there is a big difference in someone's portfolio if they are 95 vs. 65. The reality is in retirement you will need a rising income and having a portion of your portfolio invested in equities for the long term is the appropriate strategy for most people. Don't focus on retirement, but rather on the time frame.

Another myth is when one's spouse passes, he/she can live on half the income. Certain expenses may go down, but other expenses will continue to rise. A surviving spouse can live on less, however, not half.

It is important to consider these myths and misconcep-

tions of retirement because mistakes made today can have severe consequences down the road.

Retirement is a new concept in the history of mankind and it requires us to think differently. Retirement today has no relationship to what it was 50 years ago and will have no relationship to the people who are retired 50 years from now.

**Rick Bloom** is a fee-only financial adviser. *Observer & Eccentric* readers can submit questions at [moneymatters@hometownlife.com](mailto:moneymatters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web site at [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com). You can hear Rick from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK-AM (1400).

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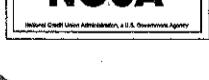
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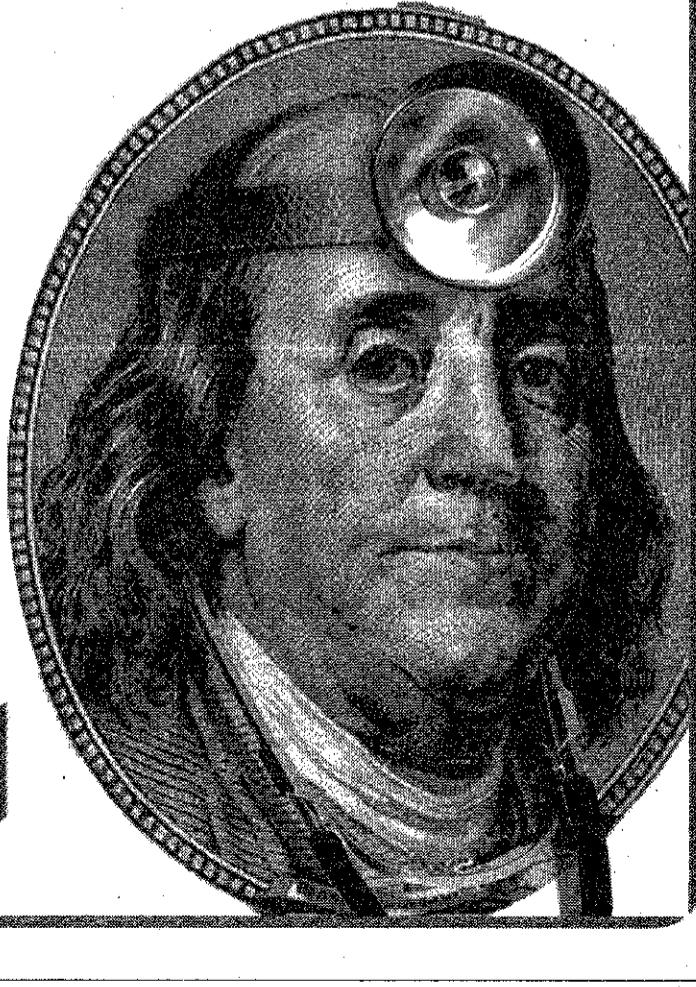
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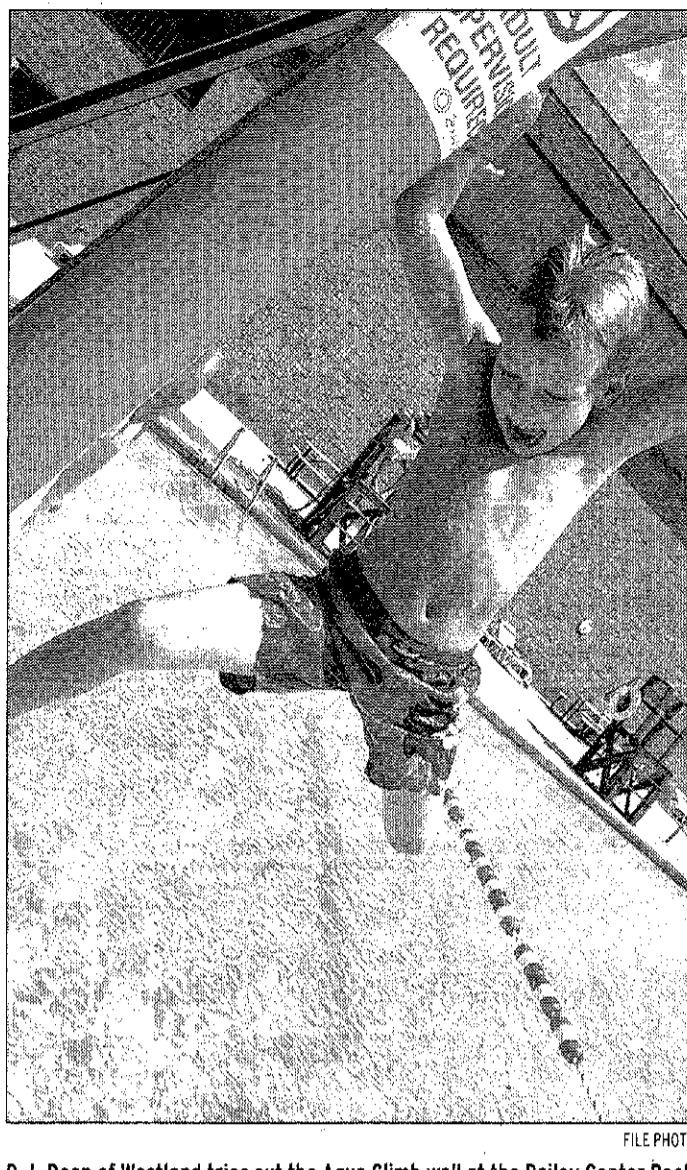
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FILE PHOTO  
D.J. Dean of Westland tries out the Aqua Climb wall at the Bailey Center Pool.

## It's official: Pool opens for summer

It's a prime summertime activity - taking a dip in the Bailey Center pool.

And kids can grab their swim masks and fins and head for the outdoor pool at the Bailey Recreation Center on Saturday, May 24.

The pool will officially open at noon for the summer. The grand opening celebration will last until 7 p.m. and include much more than just swim-

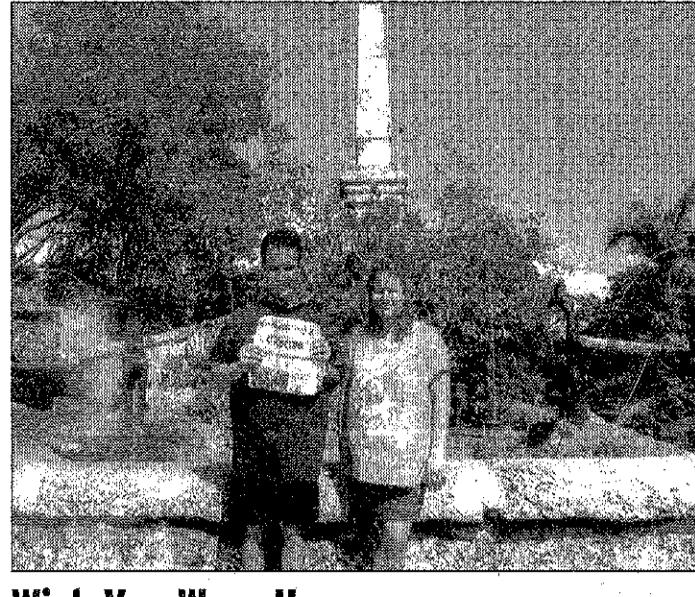
ming. A live D.J. will be on hand to provide the tunes while kids jump around in Bobby's Bouncer's outdoor inflatable play center or search for hidden treasures at the bottom of the pool.

The cost is \$3 for kids age 15 and under and \$4 for adults. The Bailey Center is at 36651 Ford behind Westland City Hall. For more information, call (734) 722-7620.

### Free workshop

Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, a holistic physician, wellness consultant and clinical nutritionist, is presenting "Detox - Is It Right For You?" 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, at the Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia. Learn about detoxification of the human body and the choices available at the free workshop. Seating limited to the

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR



### Wish You Were Here

Jerome Weingarten and Julie Hagerty pose with their Westland Observer in front of a fountain in Altos de Chavon, Dominican Republic, for Wish You Were Here. The fountain is considered to be the Fountain of Youth and according to Weingarten, "I already feel younger." If you go on a trip or vacation, be sure to take a photograph with your Westland Observer for Wish You Were Here and send it to Sue Mason, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.

first 15 callers. For reservations, call (734) 756-6904 or go online to www.TLCHolisticWellness.com.

### Fish Dial-A-Ride

Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers. A nonprofit community service group, it provides door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation. Volunteers can specify days, times, and areas they're willing to drive. For additional information, call Lisa Glazer, executive director at (248) 282-0088 or by e-mail at lisa@mzoa.org.

### Higher Rock Cafe

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army presents the Higher Rock Cafe the second and fourth Fridays of the month at its facility at 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be

taken to support the bands. Check out Higher Rock on the Web at www.tsas.higherrockcafe4t.com or call (734) 722-3660.

### ORGANIZATIONS

#### Friends of Eloise

The Friends of Eloise group meets 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the dining room of the Kay Beard Building, on Michigan between Middlebelt and Merriman. All are welcome. For information, call Jo Johnson, (734) 522-3918.

#### Writing Group

Story Circle Women's Life Writing Group meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month at the Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne. The Story Circle Network is made up of women who want to explore their lives and souls through life-writing,

writing that focuses on personal experience through memoirs and autobiographies, in diaries, journals and personal essays. Participants

should bring a notebook or laptop computer to each meeting to spend some time writing, and for those who are comfortable doing so, sharing their writing. Membership in Story Circle National Network is optional. Participation in the group is free. For more information about storycircle, go online to www.storycircle.org or send an e-mail to sherry@yahoo.com.

#### Toastmasters

The Wayne-Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club can help people overcome their fear of speaking in front of people by teaching public speaking in a friendly and supportive atmosphere. The club meets at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Rana's Restaurant, 3511 W. Michigan Ave. at Wayne Road, Wayne. For more information, Curt Gottlieb at (734) 525-8445.

#### TOPS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) MI28 of Westland meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road, at Hunter, Westland. For more information, call Pat Strong at (734) 326-3539 or Mary Lowe at (734) 729-6879.

#### Democratic Club

The Garden City Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month (September through June) in Room 5 of the Maplewood Center, Maplewood west of Merriman. For more information, call Billy Pate at (734) 427-2344.

#### Citizens for Peace

Citizens for Peace meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster. The group is dedicated to working for creation of a U.S. Department of Peace. All are welcome. Coleen Mills, (734) 425-0079.

#### MOMS club

MOMS Club, a non-profit support group, welcomes all western Wayne County stay-at-home mothers, offering children activities, weekly age-appropriate play groups, and family get-togethers. MOMP Club also performs service projects that benefit needy children in our community. For more details, call Birthie, (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248) 231-6120.

## City offers products to quell mosquitoes

Westland residents can take the bite out of summer with three products that will help quell excessive mosquito growth.

The Westland Department of Public Service has Bactimos Briquettes, Vectolex WSP biological larvicide and Altosid XR extended residual briquettes available for purchase by condominium associations, apartment managers, local

businesses, and the general public.

"The safety of our residents, youth and seniors particularly, is our greatest priority," said Westland Mayor William Wild. "An over abundance of mosquitoes can not only be a nuisance, but can also pose a serious health risk."

The DPS recently utilized the products above to treat all of the retention ponds within the

city as well as its 11,000 catch basins and several rear storm locations. A second round of treatment is planned for late June/early July, and if needed, a third round in late August.

Bactimos Briquettes, also known as "Mosquito Dunks," are primarily used in bird-baths, gutters, small ditches, ponds, septic fields or any small area up to 100 square feet to eliminate mosquitoes. The briquettes are being sold in groups of 20 for \$25 a package. They last for 30 days.

Vectolex WSP, which comes in water-soluble pouches, eliminates mosquito growth in catch basins, storm drainage systems and other medium size areas that hold or retain water. It's being sold in groups of 40

for \$50 a package. It lasts for 90 days.

Altosid XR, which is used to treat larger areas that are wooded or difficult to reach, is being sold for \$4.38 each. Only one application is necessary, and the briquettes last all season long.

The products are offered at cost. For more information, call DPS at (734) 467-3242.

Residents and business owners can act as an additional line of defense by emptying and changing the water in bird baths, fountains, wading pools, rain barrels and potted plant trays at least once a week.

Keeping swimming pools treated and circulating and rain gutters unclogged also is recommended.

**Notice of Public Sale of Personal Property**  
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 4 of the Self Service Storage Facility Act, State of Michigan, **PS Orangecoco, Inc. and/or Shurgard TRS, Inc.** will conduct sale(s) at Public Storage (formerly Shurgard) located at 36001 Warren Rd Westland, MI 48185-6591 (734)729-7095 on 5/30/08 at 10:30 am. Sales are for cash only. Removal within 24 hours. For sale and storage units in which rent and fees are past due.

Personal property described below in the matter of:  
1298 - Kimberly Mathews - Loveseat, TV, Treadmill  
1314 - Robert Frost - Desk, 4 Boxes, Kids Chairs  
3044 - Watfa Darwiche - Tablesaw, 20 Boxes, Misc Items  
3050 - Marian Minor - Couch, Loveseat, 4 Chairs  
3138 - Kenya Love - Couch, Loveseat, mattress  
3142 - Melissa Delarosa - Couch, Dresser, 2 Lamps  
3196 - Shirley Tolbert - 10 Boxes, TV, 2 Lamps  
4096 - Claudia E Barber-Martin - 50 Boxes, 2 Totes, Misc Items  
4168 - Latrice Graves - TV, Misc Items, 5 Bags  
5068 - Aailyah Muhammad - China Cabinet, 4 Chairs, Table  
5138 - Ederique Goudia - 1 Tote, Bookcase, 5 Boxes  
5176 - James Flatt - 5 Boxes  
6066 - Lena Sturgis - 2 Chairs, TV, Microwave

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## CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

The Westland Police Department will conduct an online public auction of miscellaneous seized and forfeited items. The auction will begin on Thursday, May 22, 2008 and end Thursday, May 29, 2008. Interested persons should:

1. visit [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com)
2. click on the "Auctions" tab
3. in the right column, click on the "Click here for live auctions!"

The following items can then be viewed and are offered for sale to the highest bidder:

Sentry safes, Skil jigsaw, Dremel rotary tools, Maxtor hard drive, body fender kit, Skil drill sets, Bushnell binoculars, Craftsman router, Ryobi saw kit, Aluminum brake, Westinghouse TV/VCRs, Proctor coffee makers, levels, socket sets, jack stands, impact wrench, sanders, Pioneer car stereo, Hilti hammer drill, Presto griddle, Devilbiss air tool set, framing nailer, Craftsman chainsaw, Cardhart jacket, mechanics creeper, miter saws, HDC spray kit, Maxon CB radios, tool boxes, tool sets, ratchet straps, Tim Allen rotary tools, Black & Decker power tools, Campbell Hausfeld air tank, Husky air compressor, Dewalt compound miter saw, MXL microphone, Ipod, and cellular phones.

All items are sold in "as is" condition. Items may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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Sister Rose Marie Kujawa gives Baroness Caroline Cox the Crystal Madonna award for her global humanitarianism.

## Britain's Baroness Cox honored at Madonna

"I am a nurse and a social scientist by intention and a Baroness by astonishment," said Baroness Caroline Cox to a crowd of 70 plus friends, alumni and faculty at Madonna University, recently.

Baroness Cox is vice president of the Royal College of Nursing, former deputy speaker of Britain's House of Lord, and a 2008 candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize.

"I don't actually like politics," said the Baroness. "I do appreciate being able to speak in parliament on behalf of the forgotten people, who cannot speak for themselves."

For years she has supported humanitarian and disability causes. As the chief executive of Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust (HART), Cox provides aid to those who are, or have been recently suffering oppression and persecution.

After the brunch, Cox, a patron of the Medical Aid for Poland, shared stories of her work in Poland during the dark days of martial law in the 1980s. She told of riding on the 32-ton trucks delivering medical supplies to hospitals that had nothing. She asked to go along on these missions because she feels very strongly about seeing for herself the people for whom she is advocating and providing aid.

She recalled a delivery in which the truck driver discovered two stacks of blank paper and told her that if they were caught with it they'd be imprisoned. Why? "In a totalitarian government, paper is dangerous, because you can write ideas on it," Cox told the audience. "Never let us take our freedom for granted."

Another poignant moment

for Cox came in the war-torn streets of Poland, where people would sometimes die waiting in line for food. There on a wall were these words written by a 12-year-old boy, "I believe in the sun, even when I can't see it. I believe in love, even when I can't feel it."

Baroness Cox was given the Crystal Madonna award for her global humanitarianism, from Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, Madonna University president. Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and Councilwoman Terry Godfroid-Marecki presented the Baroness with a key to the city.

The event was sponsored by Madonna University, Botsford Hospital, the PIAST Institute and the Kappa Iota Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, nursing honor society, and the Registered Nurses Association in Michigan.

## Volunteers needed to help rescue the Rouge River

Friends of the Rouge announced Monday that 25 communities in Metro Detroit will be participating in this year's Rouge River Rescue on Saturday, June 7.

The local non-profit organization says volunteers are needed to help with clean up and restoration activities.

"Thousands of volunteers are needed to help," said Cyndi Ross the manager of the River Restoration Program. "Rouge Rescue is a fun and rewarding

event anyone can be involved in."

Friends of the Rouge, whose work is dedicated to the restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River, has been leading clean up efforts for 22 years.

When Rouge Rescue began activities focused on removing man-made trash from the river. Household appliances, tires, shipping carts, etc. were common occurrences. Today, after years of cleaning up

river sites, much of the work is focused on river restoration. Volunteer activities include native plantings, invasive plant removals, trail maintenance, birdhouse building and installation, environmental education for children in addition to clean up projects.

Interested volunteers can visit the Friends of the Rouge Web site [www.therougerescue.org](http://www.therougerescue.org) for a list of sites and activities or call (313)792-9621 for more information.

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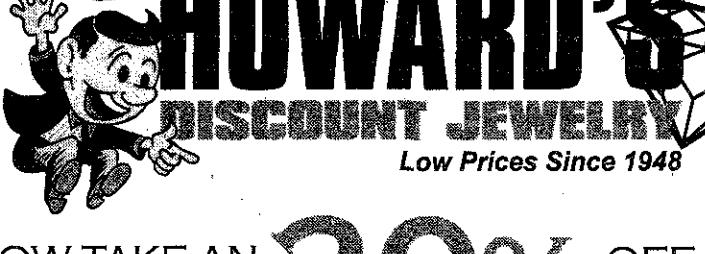
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# OPINION

## OUR VIEWS

### GMS deserves a celebration

C.J. Kelly has created a stir in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools. The quiet speaking Wayne Memorial High School senior is the center of attention after receiving a Gates Millennium Scholarship.

Kelly will have the opportunity to fulfill a dream of attending Notre Dame University, thanks to the scholarship, which he admits he initially thought was a waste of his time. The grin on his face tells you he's adjusted his thinking, especially considering the scholarship could be worth as much as \$192,000 and help him all the way to a doctoral studies, if he so chooses.

The hoopla surrounding him is to be expected. Anything with the name Gates is sure to cause a stir. But the fact is Kelly is a shining example for the minority freshman, sophomore and junior students at Wayne Memorial that with a little effort you can achieve your dreams.

The scholarship is for low-income minority students who have significant financial need. Kelly could not have cobbled together enough scholarships to afford Notre Dame, nor did his mother, a single parent, have a pot of cash sitting around.

Landing the scholarship also is a testament to the work being done at the high school through the federal TRIO Upward Bound program at Wayne Memorial. The goal of Upward Bound, which provides support to high school students from low-income families, is to increase the rate at which participants complete their secondary education and enroll in and graduate from colleges or universities.

It's also a testament to the teachers he names as having steered him through school, who challenged him to do better and kept after him to achieve — "Mrs. Franklin," his fourth- fifth-grade teacher and Jan Thomlinson, the Upward Bound coordinator at Wayne High. The former recognized his ability and made him work up to it. The latter helped him develop the habit of applying for scholarships on a weekly basis, even ones that seemed too good to be true.

As part of graduation ceremonies, Superintendent Greg Baracy has talked about the amount of scholarship money Wayne-Westland graduates receive. We're sure this scholarship will be among those he mentions this year. It is a tribute to Kelly, his mother and his teachers. It's also an indication that great futures can and do start in Wayne-Westland schools.

We congratulate C.J. Kelly on being selected as a Gates Millennium Scholar and wish him well in his future endeavors. His ultimate goal is to become a politician and with words like integrity, discipline, articulate, humble and gracious to describe him, we're sure he'll make a fine lawmaker one day.

### Legislature should act quickly on energy bills

Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, chair of the state Senate Energy and Technology Committee, believes that despite many contending interests, the Legislature could move a package of electric energy bills before the summer break.

The House passed its version of the bills in April. Patterson's committee has been taking testimony and Patterson says he wants to move an "apolitical" package of energy bills.

The energy bills have several components.

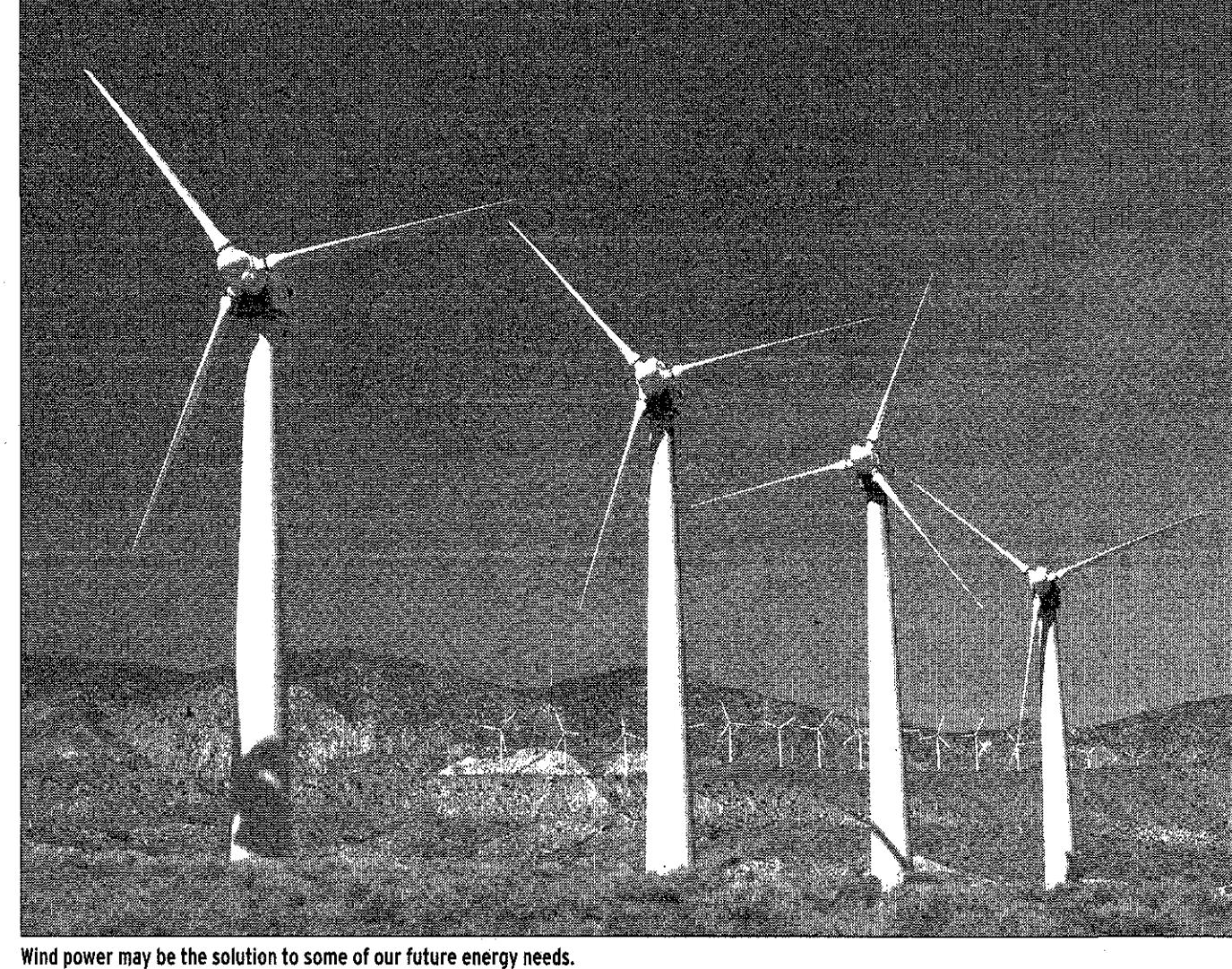
One would revisit Public Act 141, which deregulated the electric power industry. House legislation would limit competition to 10 percent of the market. The major utilities, DTE and Consumers Energy, have asked for this so they can stabilize their market and raise money to build new coal and nuclear plants to replace aging facilities.

Another component would replace a portion of coal-generated power with renewable energy (wind, solar, geothermal, etc.) The House bill sets a renewable energy portfolio standard of 10 percent from renewables by 2015. Patterson said he thinks the Legislature can do better, but many are concerned about costs.

A third component is an energy-efficiency package to promote energy conservation by households and businesses. The major utilities would be required to develop an energy-efficiency program. Hugh McDiarmid of the Michigan Environmental Council said his group supports the efforts outlined in the House bill. Patterson makes a valid point that the bill doesn't address some important issues such as revision of housing codes.

Despite differences, we are encouraged that there is a strong bipartisan drive to get energy legislation passed. It is complex and has many competing interests. But it is vital to Michigan's future.

We urge the Legislature to move forward quickly and get this done by summer break.



Wind power may be the solution to some of our future energy needs.

## LETTERS

### Unfair assessments

I wanted to comment on the unfair and unjust tax assessment for my home. We bought our house about five years ago around the market high (no issues with this at all, just the way it was). For the last few years house values have been declining severely. I was thinking that my house assessment would decline severely since my house was bought during an overinflated market propped up by gimmick housing loans. Boy, was I wrong.

Interesting that the Mayor, the Westland Assessor, Councilman Charles Pickering and many, many other real estate professionals have stated how much property values have gone down. These were all published comments in our various local papers. The decrease ranged from 8-30 percent and this was for 2007 and not the decreases in 2006.

Mayor Wild stated in the *Observer* (1/10/08) that "property values were severely declining." I did receive a 2.2 percent reduction in my taxes but this is not severe to me. Why are so many industry experts wrong by stating such great property reductions? Why are houses sitting for years and not being sold?

I received my notice from the Westland Board of Review and all it said after hours of putting my information together was "Assessment Determined to be Accurate." Not to say anything negative about the board, but everyone should research who the mayor has on this board.

I am really tired of paying high taxes on my overinflated housing value just to pay for longevity pay, city employee cars, increased insurance costs, above-average wages for our city employees, pay raises for our city employees and increasing city retirement costs.

Not sure how many of you know that my next step will be to go in front of the Michigan Tax Tribunal which will take more time away from my family. At the end of the day, it is all the time away from my family just to have a fair property value on my house.

Rich Graham  
Westland

### Opposes rezoning

I attended a Westland Planning Commission hearing on May 7, 2008, regarding a rezoning change for 24 acres adjacent to and behind the Hellenic Cultural Center off Joy Road in Westland. The property is zoned R-1 residential and is proposed to be rezoned into a Planned Urban Development (PUD).

The council chambers were filled with dozens of people who voiced their disapproval of the zoning change and the project. Among other things they plan to build a three-story assisted living center directly adjacent to single family homes. Furthermore, they are cramming in as many detached condominiums as possible, using 50-foot wide lots instead of the customary 80-foot lot size for R-1. They are also proposing a number of duplexes on the site.

I was appalled that the zoning change request passed unanimously without comment and without any dissension from the planning committee members despite the outrage of the surrounding homeowners. I hope the Westland City Council members and the Mayor watch the public TV broadcast of the hearing prior to the next council meeting and carefully consider the comments of its citizens.

This is one of the best locations for single family residences left in the City of Westland and it should stay that way! I have been a proud resident of the City of Westland my entire life and was even recognized as "Father of the Year in 2002," but I was ashamed to witness a process that showed such disregard for the concerns of its citizens.

I urge the Westland City Council to deny the request for rezoning at its meeting on May 19, at the Westland City Hall.

Patrick L. Kobylarz  
Westland

### Expensive gas is good

Earth Day may be politically popular but it is scientifically flawed. Environmentalists enhance energy problems and prohibit solutions.

Global warming (estimated at 1 degree each hundred years) could increase our Michigan climate by 10 degrees in 1,000 years, saving our heating bills.

Slant-drilling can pump oil from the Great Lakes, oceans and Alaska, but "greens" fear an accident.

Hydrogen fuel extraction requires electricity. Battery powered vehicles need recharging from electric power plants. Nuclear power is clean, cheap, safe and feared. "Greens" really object to abundant coal, but acceptable wind and solar power are unreliable.

Blending corn-based ethanol with gasoline is a poor solution. Open land is being plowed into cornfields, raising the cost of both food and fuel. Ethanol reduces mileage and is expensive, subsidized by government.

Mandating more miles per gallon requires manufacturing small vehicles (unprofitable for American car companies). Families with children will need to drive two vehicles for an outing.

High prices are the best solution being offered! Expensive gasoline encourages resource development and reduces the popularity of unnecessary trips or vehicle size.

Hank Borgman  
Farmington

### Uphold the law

In March, Congress stood up to the Bush administration and their unlawful wiretapping of American citizens by refusing to grant retroactive immunity to the telecom companies, which would have effectively shut down judicial oversight.

Now, as Congressional Democrats try to reconcile their bill with the Senate version, which includes immunity, a compromise may be in the works. But the

House leadership should not capitulate. The Bush administration believes that the president can disregard any law as long as they can claim that they are acting in the interests of national security. But that is not how our democracy works. The Constitution requires checks and balances and three co-equal branches of government, not a Unitary Executive.

Democrats fear that if they do not pass some kind of compromise, the Republicans will use it against them in the upcoming elections, but the fact is that the existing FISA law gives the intelligence agencies all the tools they need. Political expediency is not good enough excuse. Give us a good reason to vote for you in November. Upholding the law and defending the Constitution just might work.

Katie Jacob  
Birmingham

### Everyone makes a difference

My name is Celeste and I am currently an eighth-grader at Frost Middle School. We have been studying weather changes and global warming. Studying global warming has made me aware of the future challenges this may bring to us and our families. Many people are unaware of all the things occurring and those things that may occur in the very near future. Global warming can affect us in many ways.

First of all, there will be an increase in hurricanes, floods, sea levels, fires, wild-fires, and the danger of thunderstorms. Global warming can also cause increase deaths and illnesses. The number of people who are killed by climate changes may increase as well as death by smog. People may also have heat waves, strokes and heart attacks.

Global warming can cause more mold and reappearance in deadly disease. This includes the spreading of the deadly disease — malaria. ([www.american-progress.org/issues/2007/09/climate\\_100.html](http://www.american-progress.org/issues/2007/09/climate_100.html))

Some of these issues can be resolved if everyone takes a part in it. So remember, everyone makes a difference no matter how small.

Celeste Haddad  
Livonia

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Wayne Memorial High School senior and Gates Millennium Scholarship recipient C.J. Kelly about his mother Bridget.

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# A decades-long dream is dashed in dreary basement

**R**ecently, I experienced something I have waited for my entire adult life: I served jury duty.

I know most folks equate jury duty with a trip to the dentist or getting that annual physical, but not me. Maybe it's due to how I make my living, but serving on a jury has been a quest of mine for nearly 30 years.

Having covered dozens of trials over the years — from divorce cases to embezzlement to murder — I've often wondered what it is like being one of the people empowered to decide guilt or innocence. That is a lot of pressure to place on a person who may not have a clue as to how our criminal justice system works.

My big chance came Monday, courtesy of 16th District Court in Livonia. Since it was district court, I wasn't going to serve on a big felony case, but hey, after waiting all these years, I was ready for anything.

Told to report at 8:45 a.m., I arrived promptly at 8:30 ready to go. As I pulled into the lot, I noticed a line outside the courthouse entrance that extended quite a ways down the sidewalk. And it had started to rain.

I took my place in line, and began guessing which of the assembled were defendants, attorneys and fellow jurors. I surmised the young man directly in front of me who casually flicked his still-lit cigarette onto the sidewalk no doubt fell into the defendant category, perhaps on a littering charge.

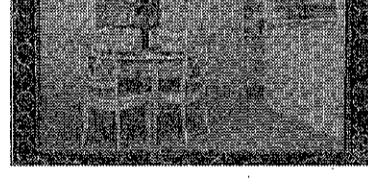
The line came courtesy of a metal detector at the entrance, which was so sensitive that nearly every person I saw had to be further inspected by a wand-wielding court officer. After a 10-minute wait, my excitement grew as I was checked in, handed a badge and a juror's manual, and told to head to the basement, where the jury waiting room was located.

About two dozen people were in the waiting room. It appeared many walks of life and ages were represented by the group, supporting the notion that defendants are judged by a jury of their peers.

After what seemed like an eternity (I ignored the suggestion to bring reading materials), a court officer appeared and immediately pointed out to the group that he was not responsible for us being there so don't take it out on him. Obviously, most of the people he has had to deal with did not share my enthusiasm for jury duty.

The officer gave us a quick rundown of the day, and then had us watch a lengthy video where the court magistrate reviewed in great detail the judicial process and what our

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# Hypocritical politicians don't heed lessons from classic film

**H**as anyone else noticed the startling parallels between Eliot Spitzer and the Charles Foster Kane character in Orson Welles' groundbreaking 1941 movie *Citizen Kane*?

Kane, of course, has become the archetype of the business or political titan who is enchanted by his own power and lives by his own rules, thus leading to a fall from grace.

But the movie's prescience as it relates to Spitzer and his rise and fall gives *Citizen Kane*, which has already withstood the test of time better than any film, a new power. Welles and co-screenwriter Herman J. Mankiewicz really nailed it — Spitzer could almost have been following their script.

Like Spitzer, Kane came from enormous wealth (he had "humble beginnings" and was adopted as a boy by a "grand old man of Wall Street") but styled himself as a man of the people.

Both were New York politicians from New York City — Spitzer was governor for not quite 15 months, while, in the movie, Kane was running for governor.

Like Spitzer, Kane had a "lightning political career" (OK, Spitzer had a longer career — he was also a prosecutor and the New York attorney general — but his ascent to the top seemed sudden) and was thought to be on a path to the White House.

Like Spitzer, Kane championed "the sacred cause of reform." Both displayed hypocrisy in exempting themselves from that reform.

Like Spitzer, Kane had a public persona as the hard-charging White Knight bent on rooting out corruption, but in reality had a different side — hard-charging, yes, but also stubborn, arrogant and corrupt.

Like Spitzer's, Kane's political fortunes and reputation were brought down by a sex scandal.

Spitzer at least had the class to resign once the scandal broke. Kane, however, was arrogant and/or deluded enough to believe "the people" would still prefer him, and continued his run for governor even after his "love nest" became public knowledge.

Even the aspirations of their paramours were the same: "singer."

Kane's girlfriend Susan Alexander's performances were an embarrassment — "Kane Found in Love Nest With 'Singer'" read the headline, emphasis on the quote marks around "singer." Spitzer's purported "Kristen," Ashley Alexandra Dupre, has recorded a couple of songs that have been received, well, with embarrassment.

There is one big difference in their stories. Spitzer at least had the class to resign once the scandal broke. Kane, however, was arrogant and/or deluded enough to believe "the people" would still prefer him, and continued his run for governor even after his "love nest" became public knowledge.

In that, Kane is similar to our own Kwame Kilpatrick.

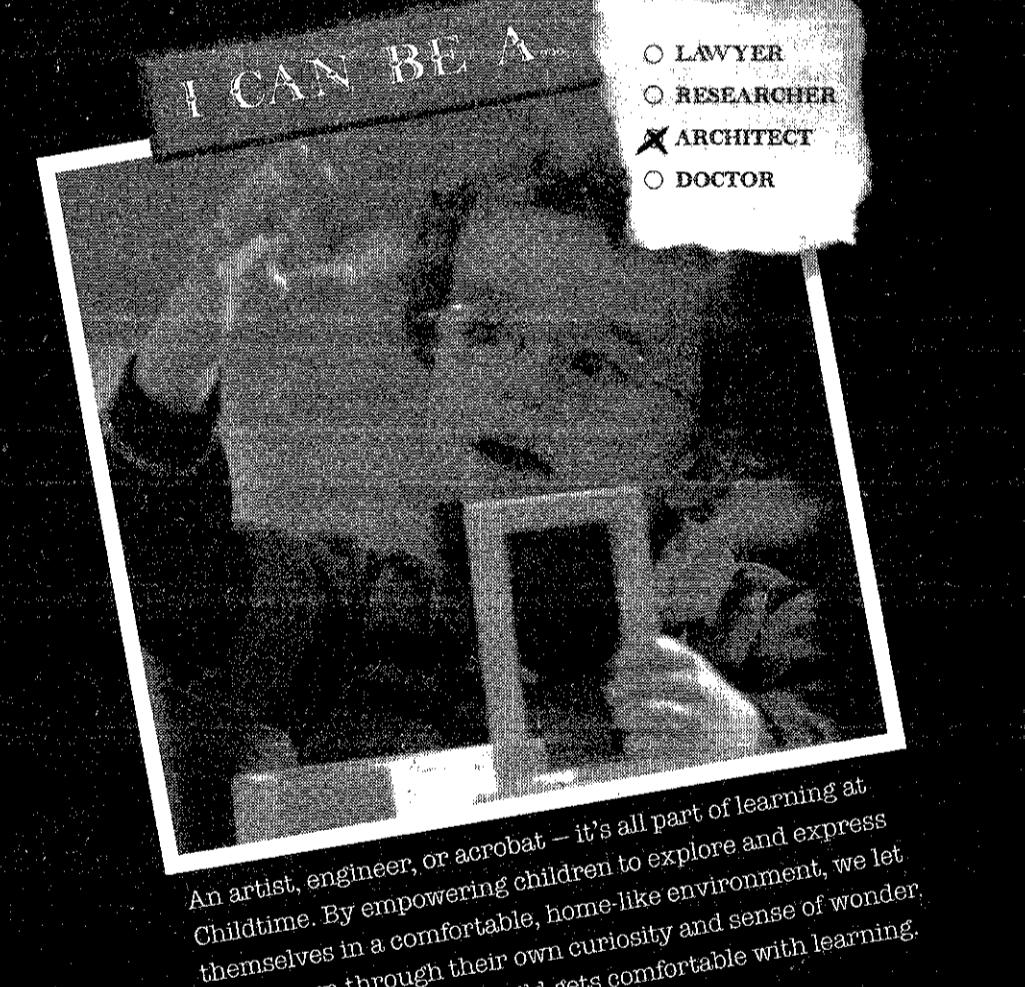
"Fraud at Polls" read the headline on the Kane-owned Enquirer when he lost the governor's race. The real frauds, however, were the headline — and Kane himself.

"I'm blown away," a quote from Kilpatrick, read the Free Press headline when the jury sided with the police whistleblowers last September — even before those famous text messages proved the whistleblowers, and the jury, were right.

*Citizen Kilpatrick*, anyone?

Matt Jachman is a staff writer for The Observer who noticed the Spitzer-Kane-Kilpatrick similarities while fooling around on YouTube. Read his regular blog, "Words, words, words," on [hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com).

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## Lutheran Westland rules regional, conference

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Winning conference and regional titles never gets old for veteran Lutheran High Westland boys track and field coach Mike Unger.

On Saturday, the host Warriors ran away from the field for their third consecutive Division 4 regional title with 149 points, 59 ahead of runner-up Royal Oak Shrine.

### BOYS TRACK

"The kids had a good day setting several PR's (personal records) during the meet," said Unger, who garnered his ninth regional crown in 35 years. "It certainly was a team effort as we placed in every event but one."

The Warriors opened the regional by going 1-2 in the discus, led by Joe Krueger (128

feet, 6 inches) and Frankie Cain (127-3). Cain also won the shot put (42-9.75), while Paul Rilett and Brad LaRose went 1-2 in the pole vault (10-0 each).

Spencer Lyle was a double winner in the 1,600-meter run (4:36.49) and 800 (2:01.79). He also anchored the runner-up 1,600 relay team (3:34.82), knocking 10 seconds off their previous best.

Kyle Kempf also added first in the 200 (23.29).

On Tuesday, the Warriors jumped out to a 55-35 advantage in the field events and upended Macomb Lutheran North for the Metro meet title, 131-120. Livonia Clarenceville was third with 69.

Lyle and Jim Rockrohr went 1-2 in the 800 and Kempf clocked a 22.78 to win the 200 to give the Warriors the lead for keeps after North took the lead by one after the 300 hurdles.

"We knew it would be a close

meet after a one-point loss (69-68 to North on May 6)," Unger said. "I was pleased with our overall performances today. Credit the kids for believing they could win the meet and be co-champions."

The Warriors will try to defend their Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association Division 4 Meet of Champions crown Saturday in Gobles.

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### East grid All-Stars

Five area players have been named to the East squad for the annual Michigan High School Football Coaches Association All-Star Football Game, 2 p.m. Saturday, July 19 at Michigan State University's Spartan Stadium in East Lansing.

Among the players selected include Westland John Glenn punter Victor Sanders, Livonia Franklin offensive guard Pat Cecile, Livonia Stevenson defensive lineman Matt Broome and Redford defensive lineman Mike Martin of Novi-Detroit Catholic Central.

Pre-sale tickets are \$5 (\$10 at the gate).

### Hurricanes 3rd

The Livonia Hurricanes finished third in the state AAU 15-and-under girls basketball tournament, May 9-11, in Auburn Hills, highlighted by a 42-38 win over the top seeded team as Brittany Milican (Livonia Franklin) scored 19 points and Senneca Scott (Franklin) pulled down 14 rebounds.

Other members of the Hurricanes, coached by Jim Milican, include Chelsea Williams, Savannah Haig, Karen Kalinski, Amanda and Veronica, all from Franklin; Jenna Szuba, Taylor Bryon and Meghan Catalano, all of Livonia Churchill, and Rosie Schifano, Livonia Stevenson.

Assistant coaches include Paul Williams and Allison Milican.

### Judis NCAA rep

Defiance College (Ohio) junior volleyball captain Ashton Judis (Livonia Stevenson) was recently chosen to participate in the upcoming NCAA National Student-Athletic Conference, May 27-29, at ESPN in Orlando, Fla.

The Communication Arts and Marketing major was one of 366 college athlete leaders chosen to participate among thousands nominated from Division I, II and III schools.

She is currently on the Dean's List and was recently nominated to be president of the Student-Athletic Advisory Committee.

## Rockets grappler takes act to MSU

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Jeremiah Austin knows all about rehearsing, whether it's on stage or on a mat.

The Westland John Glenn senior not only understands how to get his lines down for a school play, he also demonstrated that he's a quick study in the wrestling room.

Austin, who recently signed an NCAA letter of intent with Michigan State, was the 2008 Division 1 state runner-up at 125 pounds with a 54-2 record his senior year.

Even more unique is that Austin isn't afraid to perform in front of an audience. He took a lead role in a Glenn production of the school musical *Footloose*. He also played a role in *Here Come the Brides*.

"I love the stage, but I didn't know how to dance or sing worth a dime," said Austin, who carries a 3.185 grade-point average.

Following his junior year Austin took a sabbatical from the stage and decided he wanted to focus on his wrestling career.

"Running hard, practicing, taking it to the limits," said Austin, who was runner-up in the individual state finals last March at The Palace to Monroe's Zac Stevens. "I thought I had the talent, but you never know. I basically

Please see AUSTIN, B2

## Blazers denied in league final

Livonia Ladywood's bid to wrestle away the Catholic League girls soccer title Saturday from top-ranked Birmingham Marian went awry early in the second half.

The defending champion Mustangs scored three goals during a 10-minute span to break a 1-1 deadlock and earn a 4-2 triumph.

Marian, defending state champion in Division 2, improved to 15-0-1 overall.

The loss drops Ladywood to 8-5-4. It was the third time the Blazers have fallen to Marian this season.

Ladywood's Alison Szczypta opened the scoring in the ninth minute on a header off a corner kick from Alessia Vagnini.

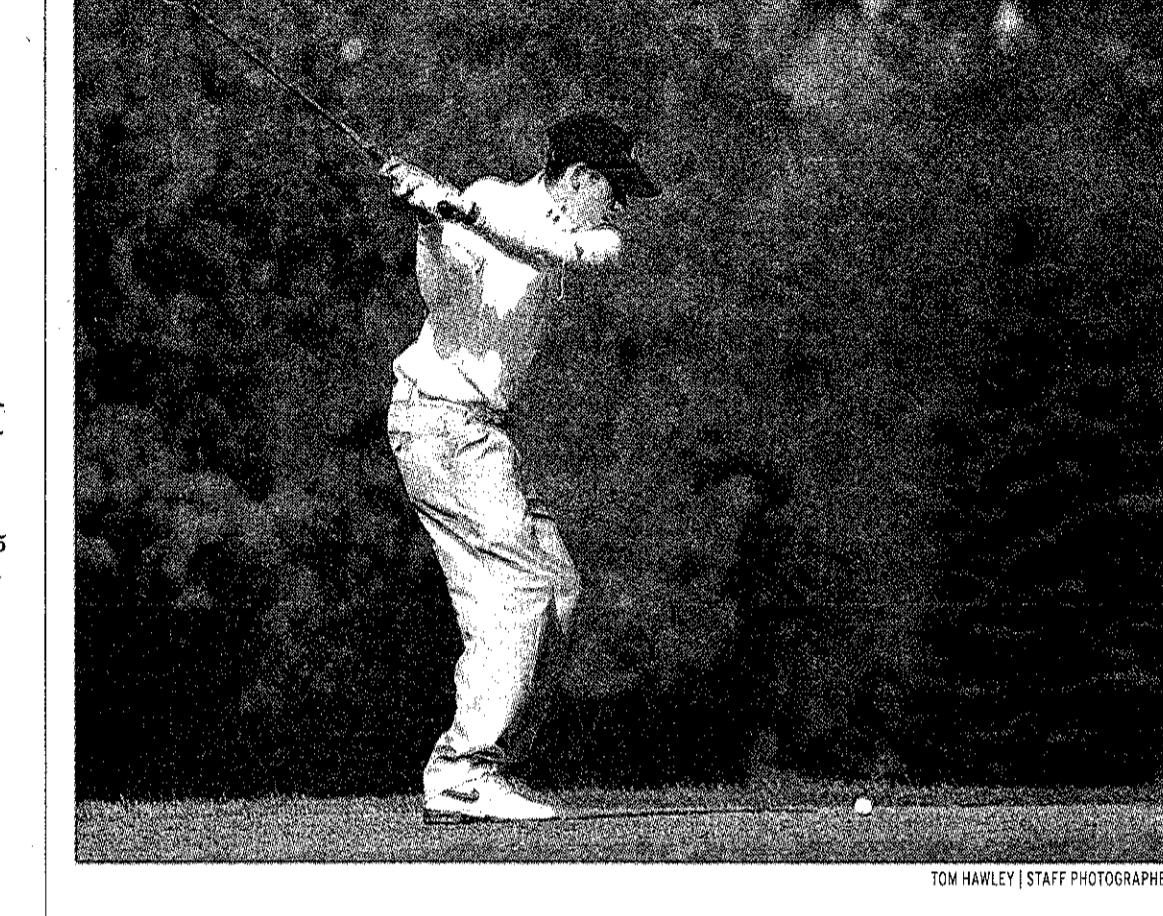
Marian's Sarah Whitty responded with the equalizer in the 38th minute.

The Mustangs then countered with three second-half goals, one by Stephanie Pilarski (51st minute) and two by Anina Cicerone (55th and 61st minutes).

"We gave up a bad goal at the end of the first half and that allowed them to take all of the momentum into halftime," Ladywood first-year coach Ken Shingledecker said. "We had a rough 15 minutes in the second half and they scored three quick goals. Take away that 15 minutes and I believe the game was even."

Szczypta tallied her second of the game in the 69th minute on a header off a restart from Vagnini.

Please see BLAZERS, B6



### Driving force

Livonia Stevenson's Drew Mossioian tees off during Tuesday's Western Lakes Tournament at Pheasant Run. Mossioian shot a 76 to take All-Division honors as the Spartans took fifth overall. State-ranked Northville had a four-player total of 289 to win the team title by 21 strokes. See results on page B3.

TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



### National champ

Westland's Erin Freier, an eighth-grader at Frost Middle School in Livonia, captured the USA Gymnastics Level 9 Eastern National Junior B-age all-around title with a score of 37.775 on May 9 in Dayton, Ohio. She placed first on floor exercise (9.475); second on both the balance beam (9.475) and uneven bars (9.55); and fifth on vault (9.275).

Freier, who trains at the Oakland Gymnastics Training Center in Walled Lake, also earned all-around regional champion honors and placed third in the state meet.

## Westland boxer Dynamic in Gloves

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Westland's Walter Burns of Dynamic Boxing Club put up a good fight earlier in the National Golden Gloves super heavyweight division held May 6-10 at the DeVos Center in Grand Rapids.

The 24-year-old Burns, a church custodian at Detroit World Outreach in Redford, won three of four bouts before losing in the semifinals to eventual champion Tor Hamer of New York Metro.

"He's been only in it two years and to get that far in a short period of time is really something," Dynamic trainer Paul Soucy of Livonia said.

Dynamic will be sending three boxers to the Junior Olympic Regionals this weekend in Zanesville, Ohio.

All three — Garden City's Dan Smith (super heavyweight), Livonia's Josh Ivezaj (125 pounds) and Wyandotte's Gabriel Garza (135) — went unopposed last weekend at the state championship held in Port Huron. Regional winners will advance next month to the Junior Olympic Nationals at the Olympic Training Center in Marquette.

Dynamic came away with a pair of Novice Division titles last weekend, led by heavyweight Ryan Chavis and 135-pound Jeff Kuhary of Westland.

Chavis stopped Dyland Baughui of Joe's Boxing Club in Monroe in the second round, while Kuhary scored a first-round knockout against Darrian Lawson of FWC in Battle Creek.

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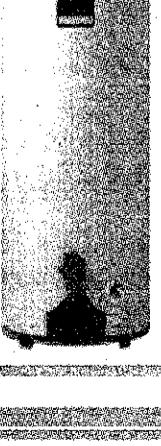
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## AUSTIN

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stayed focused and didn't let anything get in the way."

Austin's career mark with the Rockets was 114-27. He'll certainly be missed.

"Jeremiah is a competitor with phenomenal ability," Glenn coach Bill Polk said. "He's the type of kid that has to constantly be challenged. His senior year he never really enjoyed the so-called 'easy matches,' and it's not that he was cocky or arrogant, he just wanted constant competition."

When he arrived at Glenn as a ninth-grader, Austin has a passion for football, but he was coaxed by a substitute teacher, Glenn assistant coach Colin O'Brien, to give wrestling a look.

"I said I'd go and try it," Austin said. "I kind of laughed and giggled about it because I really didn't want to wear a leotard. But I eventually fell in love with it."

Austin mentors a select group of ninth-grade students and has worked YMCA field trips and camps at Grass Lake for elementary school students.

"He has always been a respectful gentleman, win or lose, during his wrestling

matches," Polk said. "He has been a leader on the mat and in the classroom at Glenn. I'm confident that if he is dedicated and works hard at the college level, he can accomplish any goal he'll set for himself. Glenn was very lucky to have a student-athlete like Jeremiah."

Austin plans to get ready for his next role representing the green and white at MSU.

"Coach Polk said I'm going to have the best time in my life — he said, 'Plan on it,'" Austin said. "Wrestling is a business. You hate it, but you can't get enough of it."

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## Franklin gets 10-6 crossover win

### PREP SOFTBALL

three and struck out five.

The Spartans' Nina Bonanno went 2-for-3 with an RBI triples in the sixth. Kristina Vaclavek also had two hits.

In the nightcap, Laura Deacon tossed a four hits, walked four and struck out nine in a 6-1 Stevenson win over the Falcons.

Emily Hollandsworth went 2-for-2 with a sacrifice bunt, while Linda Liwai walked tripled and scored on a wild pitch for Farmington's lone run.

Velzy took the loss, allowing six runs on seven hits and a walk. She struck out seven and was the victim of five Falcon errors.

HARRISON 4-4, CHURCHILL 3-0: In a non-league double-header Tuesday, visiting Farmington Hills Harrison (16-12-1) swept both ends against Livonia Churchill (12-20).

The Hawks took advantage of nine walks and a hit batter to score four times in the opener to edge the Chargers, 4-3.

Each team collected just two hits.

Harrison also won the nightcap, 4-0, scoring all four runs in the third with the help of a pair of lead-off walks and a Churchill error.

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Franklin's Jordan Chisholm uses an iron on the approach shot during Tuesday's WLAA Tournament at

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Canton's Pheasant Run Golf Club got tarred and feathered Tuesday courtesy of the state-ranked Northville boys golf team.

The Mustangs, ranked No. 3 in Division 1, put on an impress display were led by individual medalist Trevor Grigg's 2-under 70. Five other Mustang players scored 75 or better to win the Western Lakes Activities Association title by a whopping 21 strokes.

Northville, first during the dual-match season at 10-1, finished at 289 total followed by runner-up Salem with 310, Walled Lake Northern, 312; Walled Lake Central, 313; Livonia Stevenson and Canton, 315; Walled Lake Western, 315; Livonia Franklin and Livonia Churchill, 318 each; Plymouth, 329; Westland John Glenn, 330; Wayne Memorial, 403.

Rounding out Northville's top five was Wes Gates (72), Chris Kozerski (73), Tim Kelly (74) and Alex Bernstein (75).

Kozerski and Gates made All-Conference along with Northern's Joe Parker (72), Salem's Tyler Jeleniewski (73) and Franklin's Justin Adams (73).

Kelly and Bernstein made All-Division along with Stevenson's Christian DeBay (74) and Drew Mossolian (76); Churchill's Josh Proben (77); Canton's Andrew Rickerman (76) and Zach Conrad (77); Central's Shawn Catto (74) and Joe Starrs (77); Western's Sean Armstrong (75) and Justin Zabkiewicz (77); and Northern's Joe Lemanski (78).

## BOYS GOLF RESULTS

### WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION BOYS GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS

May 20 at Pheasant Run

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Northville, 289 strokes; 2. Salem, 310; 3. Walled Lake Northern, 312; 4. Walled Lake Central, 313; 5. (tie) Livonia Stevenson and Canton, 315; 6. Walled Lake Western, 315; 7. Livonia Franklin and Livonia Churchill, 318 each; 8. Plymouth, 329; 9. Westland John Glenn, 330; 10. Wayne Memorial, 403.

**INDIVIDUAL MEDALIST:** Trevor Grigg (Northville), 70.

**ALL-CONFERENCE:** Grigg (N), 70; Joe Parker (WL), and Wes Gates (N), 72; Tyler Jeleniewski (Salem), Justin Adams (LF) and Chris Kozerski (N), 73; each.

**ALL-DIVISION:** Christian DeBay (LS), Tim Kelly (N), Shawn Catto (WL), 74; each; Sean Armstrong (WL) and Alex Bernstein (N), 75; each; Drew Mossolian (LS) and Andrew Rickerman (Canton), 76; each; Justin Zabkiewicz (WL), 77; each; Zach Conrad (Canton), 77; each; Joe Lemanski (WL), 78.

### INDIVIDUAL SCORES

**NORTHLAKE:** Trevor Grigg, 70; Wes Gates, 72; Chris Kozerski, 73; Tim Kelly, 74; Alex Bernstein, 75; Dan Kozerski, 80.

**W.L. NORTHERN:** Joe Parker, 72; Joe Lemanski and Tyler Stroh, 78; each; Adam Schmaltz, 84; Andrew Bozmowski, 92.

**SALEM:** Tyler Jeleniewski, 73; Adam Powers, 78; Patrick Doty, 79; Aaron Thompson, 80; Joel Chesseman, 92; Josh Perrin, 93.

**W.L. CENTRAL:** Shawn Catto, 74; Joe Starrs, 75; Attila Varga, Kozerski, 76; Schmaltz, 78; Evan Sutton, 88.

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**CANTON:** Andrew Rickerman, 76; Zach Conrad, 77; Brendan Mur, 79; Clark Albers, 82; Jeremy Lindbauer, 86; Aaron Blase, 87.

**W.L. WESTERN:** Sean Armstrong, 75; Justin Zabkiewicz, 77; J.R. Lowe, 80; Blake Hunter, 83; Josh Jarrell, 84; Ben Robertson, 90.

**FRANKLIN:** Justin Adams, 73; Dan Ostrosky, 81; Chris Grund and Jordan Chisholm, 82; each; James Powers, 84; Tony Semonick, 88.

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**WAYNE:** Jacob Smith, 92; Gary Neill, 99; Andrew

**OVERALL STANDINGS (including dual matches):** 1. Northville, 10-1 (22 points); 2. W.L. Northern, 7-4 (17); 3. Canton, 9-2 (16.5); 4. Salem, 5-6 (16); 5. Stevenson, 8-3 (15.5); 6. W.L. Central, 5-6 (14); 7. W.L. Western, 5-6 (11); 8. Franklin, 6-5 (10.5); 9. Churchill, 5-6 (9.5); 10. Plymouth, 4-7 (7); 11. John Glenn, 2-9 (4); 12. Wayne, 0-11 (0).

**WESTERN DIVISION STANDINGS:** 1. Northville, 5-0-2; (tie) Franklin and Canton, 3-2; each; 4. W.L. Western, 2-3; Plymouth, 2-3; Wayne, 0-5.

**LAKES DIVISION STANDINGS:** 1. Stevenson, 4-1; 2. W.L. Northern, 3-2; 3. W.L. Central, 3-2; 4. Churchill, 3-2; 5. Salem, 2-3; 6. John Glenn, 0-5.

**DUAL MEET RESULTS**

**NORTHLAKE 149**

**LIVONIA STEVENSON 174**

May 19 at Tanglewood

**NORTHVILLE scorers:** Wes Gates, 35 (medalist); Tim Kelly, Trevor Grigg, Dan Kozerski, Chris Kozerski, 38 each; Alex Burnsten, 40.

**STEVENSON scorers:** Drew Mossolian and Dan Dufour, 42 each; Christian DeBay, 44; Tom Cullum and Jordan Rayburn, 46 each; Adam Giordano, 53.

**STEVENSON's dual match record:** 6-3 W.L.A.

**LIVONIA FRANKLIN 159**

May 19 at Idyl Wyld

**FRANKLIN scorers:** Tony Semonick, 37 (medalist); Dan Ostrosky, 30; Jordan Chisholm, 41; Justin Adams, 42; Chris Grund, 45; Jimmy Johnson, 49.

**CENTRAL scorers:** Evan Simon, 36; Shawn Catto, 37; Adam Giordano, 41; Christian DeBay, 44; Joe Perrin, 45.

**LIVONIA FRANKLIN 159**

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**SALEM scorers:** Aaron Thompson, 35 (co-medalist); Patrick Doty, 38; Tyler Jeleniewski, 39; Adam Powers, 39; Jordan Chisholm, 42; Josh Perrin, 43.

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**LIVONIA STEVENSON 152**

May 16 at The Woodlands (Van Buren)

**STEVENSON scorers:** Adam Giordano, 35 (co-medalist); Drew Mossolian, 38; Christian DeBay, 39; Dan Dufour, 40; Tom Cullum, 41; Tim Milsick, 43.

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Thursday, May 22

Luth. Westland at A.A. Greenhills, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 23

Robichaud at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

Sfield Christian at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.

Huron Valley at Oakland Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 24

(all double-headers unless noted)

Luth. Westland at Taylor Baptist, 10 a.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Thursday, May 22

Ladywood at Carleton-Airport, 4 p.m.

Luth. Westland at Det. Urban, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 23

Oakland Christian at Huron Valley (2), 4 p.m.

Robichaud at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Thursday, May 22

Franklin at Farmington, 4 p.m.

Clarenceville at Hazel Park, 5 p.m.

Friday, May 23

Sfield Christian at Luth. Westland, 4 p.m.

### BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

Friday, May 23

Oakland Co. Meet at Farmington, 3 p.m.

BOYS GOLF

Thursday, May 22

Division 1 District Tournament at Whispering Willows, 8:30 a.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT DRAWS

DIVISION 2

LIVONIA LADYWOOD (HOST)

Thursday, May 22: (G) Livonia Ladywood at (D) Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 28 (both at Ladywood):

Tecumseh vs. Farmington-Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard winner, 5 p.m.; Farmington Hills Mercy vs. C-D winner, 6:45 p.m.

Friday, May 30: Championship final, 6 p.m. at Ladywood. (Winner advances to the state semifinals 5 p.m., Wednesday, June 4 at Hartland vs. Hartland regional champion.)

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**METRO CONFERENCE**

May 20 at Lutheran High Westland  
**BOYS TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Lutheran Westland, 131 points; 2. Macomb Lutheran North, 120; 3. Livonia Clarenceville, 69; 4. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, 63; 5. Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 54; 6. (tie) Harper Woods and Clawson, 43 each.

**FINAL EVENT RESULTS**

**Discus:** 1. Joe Haapala (C'ville), 128 feet, 3 inches; 2. Joe Krueger (LW), 125-0; 3. Frankie Cain (LW), 122-9; 4. Andrew Jasmer (C'ville), 122-3; 5. Ryan Richter (LW), 109-6.  
**Shot put:** 1. Cain (LW), 45-2.5; 2. Taylor Hall (C'ville), 41-4; 3. Troy Golze (LW), 38-3.  
**High jump:** 1. Nick Mischovic (LW), 5-5; Joey King (C'ville), 5-7; Kyle Kempf (LW), 5-5.  
**Pole vault:** 1. Scott Wiegand (LW), 11-6; 2. Paul Rilett (LW), 10-3; 3. Justin Paika (LW), 10-0; 4. Brad LaRose (LW), 9-6.  
**Long jump:** 1. David Savitzky (LW), 17-5.2; Ethan Haller (LW), 18-10.5; 3. King (C'ville), 18-8.25; 6. Adrian Myers (C'ville), 17-5.25.  
**3,200-meter relay:** 1. Cranbrook, 8:45.89; 2. Lutheran Westland, 8:57.63; 3. Clarenceville, 9:35.39.  
**110 hurdles:** 1. Jornell Jones (LW), 16.48; 3. Daniel Peppal (C'ville), 17.62; 5. Joey Nelson (C'ville), 18.66.  
**100 dash:** 1. DuShawn Brady (Clawson), 11.05; 3. Kempf (LW), 11.49.  
**800 relay:** 1. Harper Woods, 1:36.12; 3. Clarenceville, 1:37.79; 4. Lutheran Westland, 1:40.24.  
**1,600 relay:** 1. Daniel Suber (BHC), 4:31.78; 2. Spencer (LW), 4:34.18.  
**400 relay:** 1. Lutheran Westland (Zech Robinson, Garrett Wilson, Haller, Kempf), 4:08.2; Clarenceville, 4:43.  
**400 relay:** 1. Michael Forsythe (Clawson), 52.59; 6. Ryan Glass (C'ville), 57.45.

**BOYS TRACK RESULTS****300 hurdles:** 1. John Stathakis (LN), 44.37; 3. Peppal (C'ville), 45.12; 4. Rilett (LW), 45.67; 5. Ben Watts (PCA), 47.12.

**800: 1. Lyle (LW), 2:03.18; 2. Jim Rockrohr (LW), 2:03.9.**  
**200: 1. Kempf (LW), 22.78.**  
**3,200: 1. Nicholas Anderson (BHC), 10:10.74; 5. Josh Rice (LW), 11:01.67; 6. Matt Parent (C'ville), 11:07.8.**  
**1,600 relay:** 1. Lutheran Northwest, 3:34.66; 3. Lutheran Westland, 3:44.3; Clarenceville, 3:55.07.

**REGIONAL TRACK RESULTS**

**DIVISION 4 May 17 at Lutheran Westland**  
**BOYS TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Lutheran Westland, 149 points; 2. Oak Shrine, 90; 3. Auburn Hills Christian, 55; 5. Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, 54; 7. Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, 44; 8. Burton-Bentley, 32; 9. Birmingham Rooper, 29 and Michigan School For The Deaf, 29 each; 11. Warren Conner Creek Academy East and Mount Clemens Cardinal Rooney, 14 each; 13. Plymouth Christian, 7; 14. Pontiac Academy For Excellence, 1.

**STATE QUALIFIERS**

(top 2 automatic & additional)

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**Shot put:** 1. Cain (LW), 42-9.75; 2. Aaron Siry (LW), 40-5.0; 3. Zack Burton (PCA), 37-1.5.

**High jump:** 1. Kurt Schneider (Oak Christian), 6-4; 2. Aaron Mangham (Bentley), 6-2; 3. (tie) Jordan Allen (PCA), 5-7; 7. Kyle Kempf (LW), 5-10.

**Pole vault:** 1. Paul Rilett (LW), 10-0; 2. Brad LaRose (LW), 10-0.

**Long jump:** 1. Terran Bullock (Deaf), 19-1; 2. Zurion Tipton (LW), 19-6.5; 3. Ethan Haller (LW), 18-11.

**3,200-meter relay:** 1. Lakes (LW), 8:40.12; 2. Shrine, 8:43.54; 4. Lutheran Westland, 9:31.3.

**110 hurdles:** 1. Schneider (Oak Christian), 13.35; 2. Jornell Jones (LW), 16.62; 5. Rilett (LW), 17.83; 7.

**Zach Musial (LW), no time available.**

**100 dash:** 1. Tipton (Parkway), 11.23; 2. Bullock (Deaf), 11.39; 7. Zech Robinson (LW), no time available.

**800 relay:** 1. Shrine, 1:37.61; 2. Lutheran Westland (Mike Greening, Josh Haller, Justin Paika, Theodore Washington), 1:38.18.

**1,600: 1. Spencer Lyle (LW), 4:36.49; 2. Victor Allen (Stfield Christian), 4:37.44; 8. Dave Moldenhauer (LW), 5:01.31.**

**400 relay:** 1. Parkway, 45.65; 2. Lutheran Westland (Robinson, Derek Mozman, J. Haller, Kempf), 46.63.

**400: 1. Steve Stetko (Shrine), 51.3; 2. Jones (LW), 53.2.**

**300 hurdles:** 1. Trevor Mosier (Bentley), 43.96; 2. Schneider (Oak Christian), 44.52; 5. Rilett (LW), 46.35; 6. Bob Schwartz (LW), 46.83.

**800: 1. Lyle (LW), 2:01.79; 2. Jim Rockrohr (LW), 2:02.3.**

**200: 1. Kempf (LW), 23.29; 2. Tipton (Parkway), 23.54; 8. Washington (LW), no time available.**

**Division 3 May 16 at New Haven**  
**BOYS TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Macomb Lutheran North, 101 points; 2. Mt. Clemens, 99; 3. New Haven, 74; 4. Almont, 69; 5. Arada, 59; 6. Livonia Clarenceville, 57; 7. Detroit Communication Media Arts, 49; 8. Clawson, 38; 9. Detroit Community, 30; 10. Allen Park Cabrin, 29; 11. Harper Woods, 12; 12. Madison Heights Bishop Foley, 9; 13. Detroit Douglass and Madison Heights Madison 8 each.

**STATE QUALIFIERS**

(top 2 automatic & additional)

**Discus:** 1. Joe Krueger (LW), 128 feet, 6 inches; 2. Frankie Cain (LW), 127.3.

**Shot put:** 1. Cain (LW), 42-9.75; 2. Aaron Siry (LW), 40-5.0; 3. Zack Burton (PCA), 37-1.5.

**High jump:** 1. Kurt Schneider (Oak Christian), 6-4; 2. Aaron Mangham (Bentley), 6-2; 3. (tie) Jordan Allen (PCA), 5-7; 7. Kyle Kempf (LW), 5-10.

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**CATHOLIC LEAGUE A-B DIVISION**

May 20 at Livonia Ladywood

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Dearborn Divine Child, 116.33 points; 2. Warren Regina, 109; 3. Farmington Hills Mercy, 84; 4. Livonia Ladywood, 81; 5. Birmingham Marian, 63.33; 6. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 42.33.

**Shot put:** 1. Justin Nagarki (DC), 34 feet, 2.5 inches; 5. Bridgit Molloy (DC), 32.45; 6. Discus: 1. Alex Strange (WR), 19-1; 7. Marteika King (FH), 5-0; long jump: 1. Meagan Ogonowski (WR), 16-7; 6. Lisa Achacon (LW), 14-5.5; 3. 200-meter relay: 1. Divine Child, 10:38.44; 5. Ladywood, 11:13; 6. 100 hurdles: 1. Megan Yanik (LW), 11.56; 5. Meghan Clark (LW), 12.29; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:28.43; 2. Katie Morasso (LL), 13:85; 800 relay: 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wolañarski), Maureen Murphy, Megan Vitale, Yanik (LW), 16:00; 1. Rachel Iauquaniello (DC), 5:30.15; 5. Julia Kenney (LW), 5:35.56; 400 relay: 1. Mercy, 5:19.5; 2. Ladywood, 55.76; 400: 1. Megan Vitale (LW), 5:02.31; 300 hurdles: 1. Yanik (LW), 39.77; 5. Wolañarski (LL), 52.78; 800: 1. Iauquaniello (DO), 12:2

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Sexy SWF, 40, N/S, seeks fun and witty WM, 35-80, for friendship first, maybe more. **1-270132**

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**NURSE**  
Attractive SWF, 64, 5', 135lbs, dark hair, blue eyes, fair skin, looking for N/S, honest gentleman, 60-70, who has numerous interests including history, traveling, and home life. **1-209879**

**TAKING A PEAK!**  
Attractive SWF, 20 years old, loves to be outdoors and have fun, enjoys clubs, movies, relaxing at home, ISO male who likes the same, and wishes for friendship, maybe more. **1-224749**

**HARD WORKER SEEKS SAME**  
SBF, 44, N/S, mother, seeks old-fashioned BM, 29-49, N/S, homedoby, to explore all life has to offer! I enjoy reading, bike rides, playing tennis. **1-227459**

**LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!**  
SWPF, 42, smoker, seeks WPM, 40ish-60ish, smoker, who enjoys concerts, shopping, bowling, dining, time at SW. **1-239456**

**BEAUTIFUL MAKEUP ARTIST**  
Sincere, kind SWF, 53, proportionate, 5'6", 124lbs, professional, attractive, intelligent and educated, loves music, dancing, motorcycles, outdoors, movies and creative pursuits. Seeking attractive gentleman, 42-63, with like interests/qualities, for friendship/LTR. **1-245846**

**GREAT EXPECTATIONS**  
Good looking SWF, 40, N/S, seeks old-fashioned SWF, 47, with a good heart, likes to be outdoors and have fun, enjoys clubs, movies, relaxing at home, ISO male who likes the same, and wishes for friendship first leading to LTR. **1-147056**

**CLASSY LADY**  
SBF, middle-aged, attractive, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-69, N/S, good sense of humor and good values/morals. **1-2027254**

**TAKE A CHANCE!**  
SWF, 30, middle school art teacher, likes nature, music and learning new things. ISO nice gentleman, for dating and to share life together. **1-238345**

**SUMMER IS COMING!**  
BF, 45, seeks special someone to share picnics, walks in the park, quiet days at home and concerts with. If you have the cheese and wine, I have the blanket. **1-271006**

**LONELY VIRGO**  
SBF, 47, with a young heart, enjoys cartoons, music, dancing, good food, good fun. Looking for SF, 30-65, with same interests. **1-269373**

**BEAUTIFUL SWF...**  
37, seeks SWM, 30-50, who is spontaneous and knows how to have fun. Casual relationship first, maybe leading to more. **1-271683**

**BEAUTIFUL FEMALE**  
BIF, 37, beautiful, classy and open-minded, looking for BIF, 25-40, race open, D/D free, H/W proportionate. You must be confident with who you are. **1-227186**

**COULD YOU BE THE ONE?**  
Bright, spunky, pretty SF, 46, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. **1-230894**

**LOOKING FOR A COMPANION**  
Tall, attractive WIFW, 60s, enjoys good conversation, walks, playing board/card games, antiques and more. Looking for honest gentleman, 64-80, with a wide variety of interest to share all life offers. **1-236416**

**SEARCHING FOR A MAN...**  
40-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 46-year-old who's bright, spunky and witty. Only Jewish I need, please. **1-982317**

**LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE**  
Hi! my name is Linda. I'm a 56-year-old widow with dark blonde hair, blue eyes and brown pleasure. I have no children. I have 3 cats, I enjoy reading, music, old movies, going up north, museums, historical places, quiet evenings at home, gardening and also enjoy a lot of other things and open to many more. I've got a sense-of-humor, love to laugh, very caring and considerate person. Looking for someone with similar interests, not necessarily the same as mine. Seeking a long-term relationship and see what happens. **1-137067**

**SEEKING FRIENDSHIP**  
SBF, young, 60s, w/good morals, caring, nice-looking, 5'3", 155lbs, N/S, N/Drugs, clean, honest living, partly retired, enjoys art, card playing, casinos, and movies. Seeking honest man 50-60, race open. **1-134425**

**COULD IT BE YOU?**  
SBF, 44, professional, hard-working, independent, enjoys church, shopping, more. Looking for a SFM, 44, employed, open-minded, warm-hearted and considerate, to share all life has to offer. **1-235988**

**HERE I AM GUYS**  
Loving, sexy, SBF, 24, athletic complexion, 5'5", 158lbs, brown eyes, independent, employed, secure. Seeking warm-hearted intelligent, commitment-minded man who wants to share his life. **1-238307**

**HELLO OUT THERE**  
SWF, 39 years young seeks SWM, who enjoys life simple pleasures. I enjoy dining out, computers, movies, the parks, walks, travel and life in general. Friendship first. **1-241296**

**HONESTY A MUST**  
BF, 42, 5'4", 186lbs, shapely, brown/brown, seeking an honest man, 40-50, N/Drugs, who enjoys the good things in life. I like plays, dancing, dining, good company and working, reading, working out, more. **1-257889**

**BLACK BEAUTY SEEKS...**  
White Knight. Spontaneous SBF, 35, brown eyes, in search of adventurous, honest, attractive WFM, 25-50, with great sense of humor. I enjoy movies, dining, reading, working out, more. **1-262020**

**ONLY SERIOUS NEED REPLY**  
Vulgarous SBF, 42, would like to meet a nice, serious SBF, 35-50, who would like to be come acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. **1-273603**

**VERY LOVING PERSON**  
Looking for a spontaneous, professional male, 25-40, race open, who is willing to go and have fun. **1-273294**

**STILL SEEKING...**  
SBF, 56, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, attractive male, 45-58, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. **1-113198**

**HEART OF GOLD**  
SBF, 39, 5'6", average build, smoker, enjoys crossword puzzles, old-school lifestyle, movies, dining. Seeking athletic, active BM, 30-42, 6'4", smoker, for friendship, possible romance. **1-265442**

**I NEED A LOVE...**  
a 42-year-old SWF, ISO SWM, 38-45, for friend, and possibly more. I'm sociable, athletic, 5'7", 120lbs, long dark curly hair, ND, NS. D/D-free, never married, no children. Interested? Call: **1-224748**

**ARE YOU SEEKING?**  
DWF, 63, 5'2", Italian, Brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes, theater, travel, dining, fitness. Wishng to meet N/S WM, 58-70, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. **1-2568059**

**DO YOU EXIST?**  
DWF, 58, 5'7", slender, very attractive, college-educated, enjoys movies, theater, sports, concerts, dining, travel. Seeking widowed/divorced WFM, 55-63, athletic, healthy, tall, N/S, D/D-free, with good sense of humor. **1-2200296**

**HIDDEN TREASURE**  
I'm the needle in the haystack, and there you will find true love. Seeking SWM, 65+, **1-2212790**

**ACTIVE WOMAN**  
SWF, dark hair and eyes, N/S, social drinker, likes bowling, bingo, garage sales, funny movies and more. If you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. **1-228181**

**HELLO THERE**  
Asian woman, 5'2", 180lbs, slim, attractive, health-conscious, vegetarian, N/S, N/Drugs. Enjoys dining, movies, quiet times. Seeking a man, 45-60, who is church-going and has similar interests. **1-2274290**

**SOLID MORALS?**  
SBM, 45, educated, degree, enjoys canoeing, basketball, cycling, jogging. Seeking a special, kind, Christian lady, 25-40, slim-medium build, D/D-free, to share the good things in life. **1-224818**

**LOVE ME FOR ME**  
DWM, 49, 5'10", 160lbs, bright blue eyes, works afternoon shift, loves sports, watching movies, campfires. Looking for LTR with SWF, 45-52, who has a sweet personality. **1-227813**

**HANDSOME MALE**  
SBM, 6', 200lbs, athletic build, enjoys volleyball, fishing, swimming, skating, walks in the park, more. Seeking a woman for a date, 40-45, 5'2"-5'5", who is church-going and has similar interests. **1-216056**

**LOVING FOR MZ RIGHT**  
WWM, 45, 5'11", 220lbs, is easygoing, fun-loving, enjoys a variety of activities, indoor/outdoor. Looking for LTR, with the right person. **1-2245340**

**JUST A CALL AWAY**  
SM, 35, 5'11", 160lbs, enjoys the basics/movies, dining out, and just having fun. Looking to share friendship and/or relationship with loving, happy H/W proportionate lady. **1-2251185**

**GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR**  
WMM, late 30s, 6'3", 180lbs, brown hair, enjoys sports, concert, movies, dining, outdoor, fun, dancing. Looking for a woman for a date, 40-55, who is church-going and has similar interests. **1-2272929**

**SEEKING A LADY**  
SBM, 61", 200lbs, seeks a woman for a date, 40-55, who is church-going and has similar interests. **1-2274542**

**TALL, ATHLETIC**  
SBM, 49, 5'10", 200lbs, athletic build, enjoys volleyball, fishing, swimming, skating, walks in the park, more. Seeking a woman for a date, 40-55, who is church-going and has similar interests. **1-2243739**

**LOVING FOR SCHOLAR**  
Attractive SWM, 43", 6'3", 180lbs, brown hair, N/S, N/Drugs, seeks WFM, 45-55, with a nice build, good personality, enjoys sports, concert, movies, dining, fun, dancing. Looking for a LTR. Serious replies only. Redford Area. **1-2863035**

**LOVING THE OUTDOORS**  
WM, two, grown daughters, likes bowling, walks in the woods, fishing, some travel going to movies and more. Looking to find a good home, 40-55, to share the good times of life. **1-2551308**

**A LOT TO OFFER**  
SBM, 30, 5'5", 165lbs, brown/blue, looking for SWF, 25-45, who is open, friendly, likes get out and having a good time. **1-273691**

**FRIENDLY AND FUN**  
SBM, 49, brown complexion, open-minded, sincere, kind and patient, seeks SF, 21-60, to get to know and share all the good times in life. **1-235738**

**HANDSOME & FUN-LOVING**  
SBM, 50, looks younger, blonde/heazel, 5'5", average build, educated, dog lover, classy, sunny and fun, seeking compatible, outdoorsy, rugged, good-hearted male to share the good things in life. Livingston county. **1-270376**

**COUNTRY GIRL**  
Good-natured, classy, attractive, fun-loving SWF, 54, platinum/blue, 5'5", H/W proportionate, enjoys travel, horseback riding, well-proportioned, very feminine, attractive, self-employed. Seeking SWM, 45-57, 6'1"-6'2", 225lbs+, good sense of humor, energetic, outdoor, outdoorsman, adventurer, manly gentleman. **1-2692549**

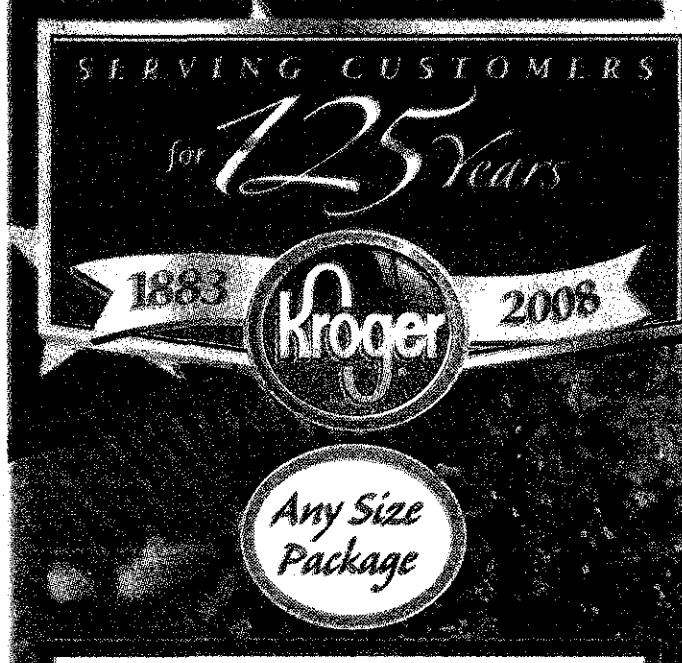
**READY FOR A FRESH START?**  
DWF, 47, 5'5", 120lbs, long blonde/blue, well-proportioned, very feminine, attractive, self-employed. Seeking SWM, 45-57, 6'1"-6'2", 225lbs+, good sense of humor, energetic, outdoor, outdoorsman, adventurer, manly gentleman. **1-2692549**

**LOVING & A SWEET WOMAN**  
H/W, 49, 5'10", 150lbs, light brown eyes, seeking a SFM, 55, 5'5", 150lbs, tall, brown hair, good shape, great smile, good company and quiet nights in. Looking for good-looking, happy, affectionate, easy-going SFM, 50-60, with similar interests, for possible LTR. **1-2863035**

**HOW ABOUT THIS ONE?**  
Sociable, kind SWM, 51, 5'7", graying brown/blue, mustache, loves music, cooking, Italian food, reading, writing action and romance novels, quality conversation and romance. ISO good-hearted, creative, BF to share these. **1-227014**

**FOREIGN FEVER**  
new to michigan 39, 6', white male good sense of humor enjoys sports, concerts, dining, cutting out steals foreign female for dating, possibly more. **1-227014**

**LOOKING 4 A SWEET WOMAN**  
H/W, 49, 5'10", 150lbs, likes rock music, fishing. Looking for a nice, honest, caring SW/H/W, 47, 5'5", 150lbs, enjoys camping, soft rock music, fishing. Looking for a nice, honest, caring SW/H/W, 47, 5'5", 150lbs, enjoys camping, soft rock music, fishing. Looking for



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## 2 Livonia soccer clubs agree to mega merger

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Two of southeast Michigan's largest youth soccer organizations have decided to form a permanent partnership when it was announced last week that the Livonia Meteors and Livonia Soccer Club will join forces.

The merger expects to serve an estimated 1,200 players and 90 teams following the new club's first open tryouts scheduled for next month.

Teams for the new Livonia City Soccer Club will be formed at all levels of playing ability, including a youth academy, recreation, select and premier. The new club also plans to continue to offer affordable fees and a system that fosters both a family-friendly and multi-sport atmosphere.

"Our goal is to make soccer what it ought to be - a fun, challenging and rewarding experience that is available to kids of all ages and abilities at a family friendly price," Livonia Meteors Board President David Burton said in a recent press release.

Select and premier-level teams will have an opportunity to compete at the highest state levels and will feature full-time, licensed professional coaches and trainers while enjoying year-round skills training and other soccer resources.

"The strength with this merger comes from two strong, viable clubs," Livonia Soccer Club Board President Garrette Motta said in the same press release. "We're excited to have the opportunity to serve the community as one club, one organization, with one common goals."

The Livonia City Soccer Club was formed as a private, non-profit 501c3 qualified organization serving the greater Livonia community. Its foundation is based on the philosophies of the two merging clubs.

To learn more about the Livonia Meteors, visit [www.livoniameeteors.com](http://www.livoniameeteors.com); or more about the Livonia Soccer Club, visit [www.livoniasoccer.org](http://www.livoniasoccer.org).



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## BLAZERS

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"I'm very proud of our girls and their effort," Shingledecker said. "I feel very good about where we are heading into districts."

Ladywood keeper Michele Ring and Marian goalie Whitney Sarkis each made four saves.

CLARENCEVILLE 1, LUTHERAN WEST 0: Senior Amanda Moody returned to the lineup after a nine-game absence because of a broken bone in her wrist and scored the game-winning goal in the second half Monday to lead Livonia Clarenceville (5-8-1) to the Metro Conference consolation game victory at Rochester Hills Lutheran West.

Jordan Fyffe assisted on the game-winner, while goalkeeper Kristen Jolly sparked by making 11 saves en route to the shutout.

LUTH. WESTLAND 7, CLAWSON 0: Hat tricks by Miranda Kasprowicz and Allyson Yankee propelled Lutheran High Westland (8-7) to the Metro Conference consolation game win Monday at home over the Trojans.

Emma Swartz also chipped in with a goal, while Hannah Mielke contributed three assists for the victorious Warriors. Jessica Welser and Yankee also had assists.

Goalkeeper Chelsea Kyles made seven saves to post the shutout.

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It's not exactly like the muffuletta that you will find at Central Grocery (where the sandwich originated in 1906) in New Orleans, but Bobby Flay incorporated two of the key ingredients — olive relish and provolone cheese — to make his own grilled chicken version.

## Flay's creativity ignites grill recipes

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Remember when grilling used to be restricted to meats? Summer parties in the 1960s and 1970s often relegated vegetables and other dishes to be sauteed or roasted in the kitchen, while fires were stoked on grills to cook burgers, steaks or chicken.

That's all drastically changed. That point isn't lost on Bobby Flay, whose latest cookbook *Bobby Flay's Grill It*, written by Flay with Stephanie Banyas and Sally Jackson, was released this month. Flay, who hosts *Boy Meets Grill*, and *Throwdown with Bobby Flay* on the Food Network and owner of several restaurants,

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## BOBBY'S TIPS •

Don't use lighter fluid. Instead use a chimney starter, "one of the greatest inventions ever created for grilling," Bobby Flay writes. Pick up a few paint brushes to use to apply glazes and sauces. They are less expensive than pastry brushes and work equally as well. Buy spices whole and grind them in a coffee or spice grinder to use in rubs and seasonings. Not only do they taste better, the whole spices will last longer in the pantry.

## Ducks took flight over 30 years ago

In 1976, Dan and Margaret Duckhorn co-founded their eponymous Duckhorn Vineyards with the intent of making Napa Valley wines from classic Bordeaux varieties. And the first ducks took flight. In 2007, Duckhorn was sold to GI Partners, a leading private equity firm focused on asset-intensive businesses in the United States and western Europe.

In today's wine business it's hard to find a more asset-intensive winery than Duckhorn. With seven Napa Valley ranches



Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

and 160 estate vineyard acres, Duckhorn also contracts with 60 growers.

Often recognized for its merlot and cabernet sauvignon, Duckhorn's winemaker Bill Nancarrow, originally from Hawkes Bay, New Zealand, crafts a showy sauvignon blanc. At \$25, the 2006 with 22 percent semillon showcases melony fruit with touches of cut grass and lush and generous finish.

Among Duckhorn reds, we highly recommend the 2005 Napa Valley Merlot \$52, big and generous with a smooth finish; 2005 Estate Merlot \$85 with an elegant finish for such a big wine; 2005 Three Palms Merlot \$85 has great structure for aging; 2004 Howell Mountain Merlot \$70 is generous and full; 2005 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon \$60 portends age-

ability; and 2004 Estate-Grown Cabernet Sauvignon \$95 is outstanding in all respects.

## DUCKS FLY HIGHER

Added to the Duckhorn brand are several others including Paraduxx and Goldeneye.

Known simply as Paraduxx and for its quality, one of the great values in a red wine blend, the 2005 (\$48) is composed of zinfandel, cabernet sauvignon, merlot and cabernet franc. The first two varieties make up 92 percent and constitute the wine's character. This is a user-friendly wine bursting with ripe red fruits from first sniff to last drop.

With an eye to the growing popularity of Pinot Noir, in 1997 Duckhorn branched out to the Anderson Valley and

created Goldeneye Pinot Noir. The 2005 at \$55 shows lots of cherry-berry fruit in a generous, plump and juicy rendition with a velvety finish and notes of vanilla and toasty oak.

At Goldeneye, four estate vineyards are planted to 23 clones of pinot noir on 11 different rootstocks.

With pinot noir, it's all about vineyard diversity and Duckhorn's Goldeneye brand scores in this respect with extraordinary site personality.

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## WINE PICKS

Like many of our readers, we are Pinot Noir aficionados. Prices for west coast pinots have been steadily rising and we've searched for some of the very best.

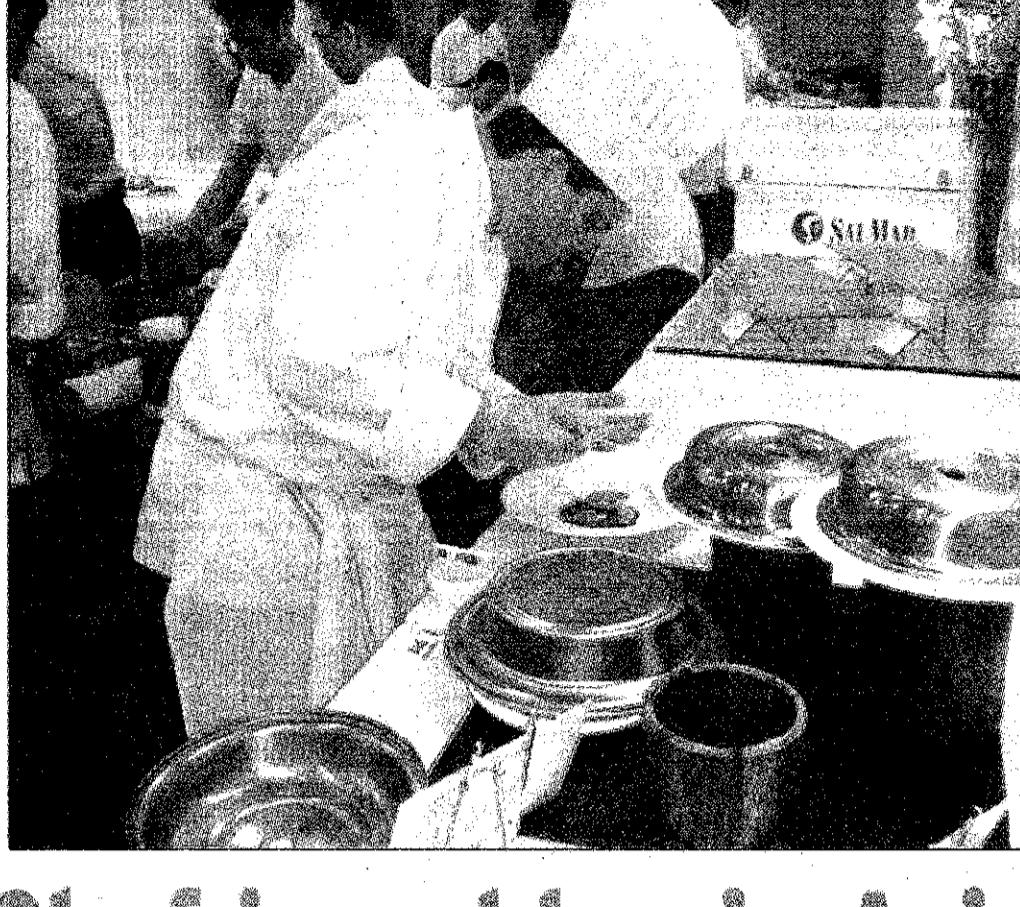
Here's the list at \$50 and under (yes, that's what market demand does to prices!):

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2006 Williams Selyem Sonoma County \$34  
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2005 Marimar Estate Don Miguel Vineyard Russian River Valley \$42  
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2006 Paul Hobbs Russian River Valley \$45  
2006 Williams Selyem Russian River Valley \$45  
2006 DeLoach Masu Vineyard \$45  
2005 Marimar Estate Don Miguel Vineyard "Earthquake Block" \$46

Topping the \$50 price tag are some amazing Pinot Noirs:

2006 Williams Selyem Westside Road Neighbors \$65  
2006 Paul Hobbs Ulises Valdez Vineyard \$70  
2006 Paul Hobbs Hyde Vineyard Carneros Napa Valley \$75

If a retailer does not stock a specific wine we recommend, ask that it be ordered from the distributor, or if it's a domestic wine, order it direct from the winery.



Chef Randy Emert, executive chef at the Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester, puts the finishing touches on an entree plate at the Food Hotel Asia Culinary Challenge 2008 in Singapore.

## Accents

## GETTING GREEN

For everyone who wants to "go Green," Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design technology offers planning for increased sustainability and the reduction of long-term operations costs through the use of innovative energy-saving technologies.

The Troy Museum & Historic Village is offering a Passport to Progress public classroom which will explain what Green technologies museum officials hope to incorporate in the upcoming redesign and expansion of the village. Anyone with an interest in preserving the past, securing our future, or both, is welcome to attend.

The classroom will take place 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 28 with landscape architect Neal Billeddeaux leading a discussion about "Greening the Village Green: Using Twenty-first Century LEED Technology," a preview into how community facilities will one day operate. And the innovations covered may well be of interest to homeowners looking for planet-friendly ways to care for their own property in the future.

The classroom will be scheduled at the Museum in the Old Troy Church, 60 W. Wattles, near the northwest corner of Wattles and Livernois. Participation is free, but call the Museum before the event. To register or for more information, call (248) 524-3570.

## SEE THE TIGERS

IKEA, the world's largest home furnishings retailer, is hosting a contest to see the Detroit Tigers play ball from a special seat at Comerica Park — the IKEA Canton team has designed and furnished a section in Comerica Park with Swedish designed IKEA furniture where four lucky fans will get to sit, eat and enjoy the game from "The Most Comfortable Seat in the Park."

Fans can register to win at the IKEA store on Ford Road just west of I-275 in Canton. No purchase necessary, entering is free to those 18 or older. IKEA Canton will choose winners for select Wednesday night games.

A new winner will be drawn in-store the night before each selected game and will be given four tickets to the specified game. See entry box at IKEA Canton for complete rules.

IKEA patrons can enter to win for a June 11 and June 25 home games.



STEVEN SKOMSKI

Randy Emert is congratulated by John C.C. Wong, an Asian representative for Carbon's Waffles, after winning gold, silver and bronze medals.

vibrant red we have here." But Emert managed to work around that and win three medals (gold, silver and bronze).

Emert was the only American to compete in cold food and also the only individual American to come home with three medals.

Emert's Chicken Trilogy plate won the gold medal.

Now, here's the *Inside Baseball* scoop on how he prepared it:

This dish was composed of lemon garlic marinated breast, mushroom ballotine, matignon hash with drumstick, parsnip hay, celeriac potato gratin and a natural sauce made from the braising liquid. Emert prepared four plates of this one course in one hour, which included a time window needed for plating.

The matignon hash consisted of celery, carrots and onions with bacon. The drumstick and thigh were braised in a pressure cooker for 15 minutes.

The silver and bronze were given for the four entrees presented cold and six appetizers presented cold, respectively. The entrees were braised venison osso buco, Cornish game hen with

purple potato terrine, pouched trout roulade and spice-rubbed pork tenderloin.

The appetizers were rabbit ballotine, vegetable tart, beet and zucchini composition, poached pike, smoked bass and salmon.

The competition was judged by the World Association of Chefs Societies.

"It had to be clean and it had to make sense and be practical," Emert said. "I used basic techniques, simplicity and simple food done correctly."

Emert said he worked on the dishes since he was accepted in February for the April competition, training for more than 10 weeks.

Emert relied on the master chefs at Schoolcraft, where Emert also teaches part time, for suggestions and input on his dishes, namely Dan Hugelier, who assisted him the most, along with Jeff Gabriel and Kevin Gawronski.

Emert is a member of the American Chefs Federation Michigan Chefs de Cuisine

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## CHEF

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chapter, has served on the board of directors and is a past president. Emerit was sponsored by Sysco Services of Detroit.

Skomski cooked sauces and vegetables for Emerit in the competition. "He did a lot of food prep," Emerit said. "We were on our feet for 65 of the 72 hours." Kallis helped with prepping food and equipment for the hot foods competition.

"It's a great experience," Emerit said.

"The international competition makes you excel as a cook, more than your usual cooking experience."

View the complete Chicken Trilogy recipes on our Web site at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

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## FLAY

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visited Birmingham May 12 to conduct a book signing at the Borders store. He spent a few minutes prior to that visit talking about his new book.

"There's no question about it, people are starting to treat their grill like a stove," Flay said. "There's so many great foods that are cooked in pans that you can put on a grill."

Flay wanted to write a cookbook that was user-friendly. "Grilling is a very different experience than anything else, whether you're sauteing or roasting. It exudes festivity. It's really ingredient driven," Flay said.

"Most people, when it's time for grilling, they go to the farmers market or the grocery store, and see what looks good. This book lets people empty out on the counter the foods they've bought at the store."

In typical Flay-esque fashion, the cookbook's recipes show Flay's daring and creative styles. Other dishes are incredibly simple. It's all separated into 17 chapters according to category from asparagus to white fish, such as red snapper, cod and halibut, (not the Michigan whitefish).

That creativity shines in the "Muffuletta" Sandwiches with Spicy Olive Relish, served with grilled chicken breasts instead of cold cuts. "When I travel some place, I'm inspired by the local food," Flay said. "When I visit New Orleans, I'll eat what is popular in New Orleans. If I'm in the Pacific Northwest, I'll eat the local food there."

"The Muffuletta has a lot of great history. You get a lot of savory flavors with the olives, pepper and onions. The olive relish is a key ingredient to achieve the flavor of a Muffuletta without using cold cuts."

Of course, Flay dishes out a few grilling tips.

Grillers often make the mistake of grilling chicken with the skin side down over a roaring hot flame. "If it has the skin side down over a hot fire, it engulfs in flames," Flay said. Flay suggests cooking the chicken over lower heat.

The Mexicali-style Corn with Lime Butter and Cilantro reminds Flay of his childhood when his mother cooked a canned brand of Mexicali corn as a side dish served with pork chops and applesauce. His version features grilled corn, chili peppers and onions. Many of Flay's Southwestern-style dishes include cilantro.

"Cilantro needs friends,"

## RECIPES

### INDIVIDUAL GRILLED CHICKEN "MUFFULETTA" SANDWICHES WITH SPICY OLIVE RELISH

*Muffulettas are always served cold, and you could assemble the sandwiches and then weigh them down in the refrigerator if you're a big fan of the original, but Flay likes to serve these hot.*

#### Spicy Olive Relish

2 small red bell peppers, grilled, peeled, seeded, and diced

2 small yellow bell peppers, grilled, peeled, seeded, and diced

1 serrano chile, grilled and finely diced

1 small red onion, cut into 4-inch-thick slices, grilled and coarsely chopped

3 cloves garlic, finely chopped

½ cup green olives, pitted and coarsely chopped

1 large stalk celery, finely diced

2 tablespoons capers, drained

¼ cup red wine vinegar

¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil

3 tablespoons coarsely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley leaves

1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh oregano leaves

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

4 chicken breasts, sliced ¼ inch-thick

2 tablespoons canola oil

#### Muffuletta

4 soft hero rolls

8 (½-inch-thick) slices provolone cheese

To make the spicy olive relish,

combine the red and yellow peppers, the serrano, onion, garlic, olives, celery, capers, vinegar, oil, parsley, and oregano in a medium bowl and season with salt and pepper. Let sit at room temperature for at least 30 minutes before serving or keep covered for up to 1 day in the refrigerator. Bring to room temperature before serving.

Heat your grill to high.

Pound boneless chicken breasts to ¼ inch thickness. Brush breasts on both sides with canola oil and season with salt and pepper. Grill breast skin side down and cook until golden brown and slightly charred, 4 to 5 minutes.

Slice each roll three-quarters of the way through lengthwise. Place 1 slice of cheese on the bottom half of each roll and top with some of the olive relish, sliced chicken, more relish, and then another piece of cheese. Tightly close the sandwiches and wrap each sandwich in a sheet of aluminum foil.

Place two sandwiches, top side down, side by side on the grill and place a brick on top. Repeat with the remaining two sandwiches. Grill for two minutes. Remove the bricks, turn the sandwiches over, replace the bricks, and continue grilling for 2 to 3 minutes longer or until the cheese has melted. Serves 4.

#### MEXICALI-STYLE CORN WITH LIME BUTTER AND CILANTRO

*Chilling the butter mixture before adding it to the hot ingredients is an important step because the butter coats the vegetables as it melts and gives the*

*finished dish a creamy consistency.*

4 tablespoons unsalted butter, slightly softened

Grated zest and juice of 1 lime

1 teaspoon honey

Kosher salt

2 tablespoons canola oil

1 small red onion, finely diced

1 jalapeño chile, finely diced 1 red bell pepper, finely diced

2 cloves garlic, finely chopped

Perfectly Grilled Corn (page 83), kernels removed from the cobs

Freshly ground black pepper  
½ cup coarsely chopped fresh cilantro leaves

Whisk together the butter, lime zest and juice, honey, and 1 teaspoon salt in a small bowl. Place in the refrigerator until firm, approximately 15 minutes, or for up to 1 day.

Heat the oil in a large sauté pan over high heat until it begins to shimmer. Add the onion, jalapeño, and bell pepper and cook until soft, 4 to 5 minutes. Add the garlic and cook for 30 seconds. Stir in the corn and cook until just heated through, 2 to 3 minutes.

Add the butter and stir until it just begins to melt and coats the mixture. Remove from the heat, season with salt and pepper, and add the cilantro. Serves 4.

Recipes courtesy of *Bobby Flay's Grill It*, written by Flay with Stephan Banya and Sally Jackson (Clarkson Potter Publishers, April 2008).

dishes are simple," Flay said. "I tried to be more user-friendly, it makes it much more accessible to people. The recipes are still large on flavor, as this one has Spanish paprika, fresh thyme and mustards."

So what does Bobby prefer, charcoal or gas? "I use both. The charcoal gives a little better flavor, but the gas grills work fine and you can put extra flavors in it with the sauce."

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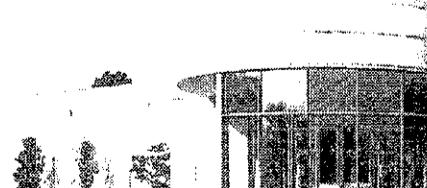
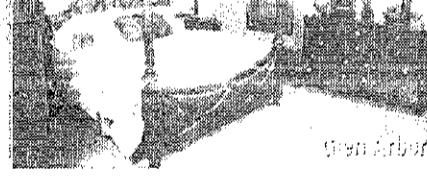
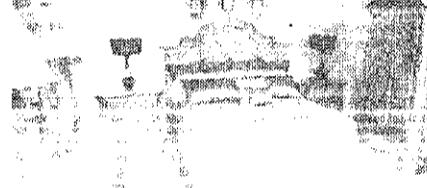
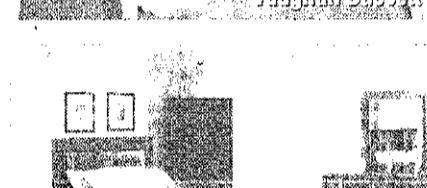
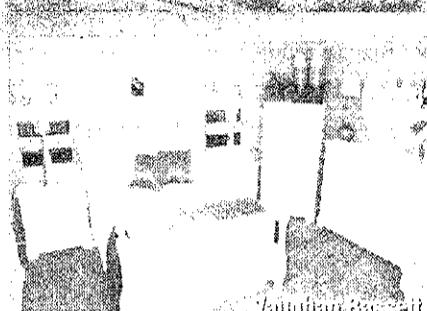
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**MAY****Polish festival**

5:15 p.m. Friday, May 23, 1-11 p.m. Saturday, May 24, and 1-10 p.m. Sunday, May 25 (Polka Mass at noon), food, music, games, rides, Vegas Tent, at St. Stanislaus Kostka, 266 Antoine, Wyandotte. Call (734) 285-9509. Memorial service to honor veterans 4 p.m. Sunday.

**Mixed media concert**

7:30 p.m. Friday, May 23, featuring organist Andrew Galuska performing Mussorgskij's Pictures at an Exhibition plus Improvisations on Modern Art, as part of the Metropolitan Concert Series at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit. Tickets \$10. Call (313) 875-7407. Pictures projected on a large screen during the concert. Reception follows.

**Clothing bank**

Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank is open 10 a.m. to noon on the fourth Saturday of every month at the church, 8775 Ronda Drive, south of Joy, between Haggerty and Lilley. The Clothing Bank is open to everyone in the community who is in need of

new or like-new clothing. Donations are also accepted. For information, call (734) 404-2480 or visit [www.CantonCF.org](http://www.CantonCF.org).

**Summer music ministry**

Thursday, May 29 (Dorinda Cox, soprano, gospel), June 19 (People's Ringers from Milan), and July 10 (Sci Ridge Brass Quintet), dinner at 6 p.m. for \$6, concert at 7 p.m., at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730. Hymn sings May 25, July 6, Aug. 10, Sept. 7. Family Choir all ages are invited to sing at 9 a.m. rehearsal and then morning service June 22, July 27, Aug. 24, and Sept. 7. All are welcome to music events.

**Family night in the park**

Free food and music 5:30 p.m. Friday, May 30, at Heritage Park Amphitheater at The Summit of Canton, Features the First Baptist Church of Plymouth musicians. In case of rain, event will take place at the church, 45000 N. Territorial, between Sheldon and Beck. Call (734) 455-2300.

**Spring retreat**

Put on by Ignite Young Adult Ministry, registration fee due May 23, for retreat for ages 18 to 35, 8 p.m. Friday, May 30, to 1 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at Subiaco Retreat House in Oxford. Cost is \$65. Register online at [www.ignite-ministry.org](http://www.ignite-ministry.org), call (734) 740-3809 or e-mail to [ignite.yam@gmail.com](mailto:ignite.yam@gmail.com).

**Concert**

Featuring Marie Bellet 7-9 p.m.

Saturday, May 31, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Tickets \$5, refreshments provided. Call (734) 425-5950. Bellet is a wife and mother of 9, who has written and recorded 4 albums of song celebrating marriage and the family.

**Bethany Suburban West**

Bethany Together Dance 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, May 31, Don Hubert V.F.W. Hall 27345 Schoolcraft (I-96 service drive), east of Inkster Rd., Redford. Admission \$15. For information, call (586) 264-0284.

**Seekers of spiritual intelligence**

Beacon Hill Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) explores the journey to an emotionally mature church during the 1 p.m. Sunday worship service in May at St. Michael Lutheran Church Chapel, 7000 N. Sheldon, south of Warren, Canton (enter through the south double doors next to the play area). For information, call (313) 402-6900 or (313) 806-PRAY, send e-mail to [beaconhillcc@aol.com](mailto:beaconhillcc@aol.com).

**UPCOMING****God at work in Uganda**

With guest preacher Rev. Justus Mwinda, executive director of the I.N. Network Uganda at the June 1 early service for the Anglican Church of Livonia is at 7:45 a.m. at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, west of Farmington Road and next to Stevenson High School, Livonia. The 10 a.m. service will be at the Livonia

YMCA, 14255 Stark, between Lyndon and I-96 service drive. Call (248) 442-0422.

**Hawaiian luau**

5 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Theme's Outrigger Island. Call (734) 464-6722.

**Patriotic pops concert**

7 p.m. Sunday, June 8, at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Ward Chancel Choir and Orchestra, Handbells, Ensembles and Children's Choir present American favorites and a salute to U.S. Armed Forces. Child care provided through age 4. No admission charge. For details, call (248) 374-7400.

**Summer camp**

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Early Childhood Program is currently taking registrations for Summer Camp from June 9 to Aug. 22. The center is open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday for ages 18 months to 12 years. For more information, call (734) 513-8413 or drop 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia.

**Evolutionary presentation**

Reverend Michael Dowd, author of the bold new book "Thank God for Evolution" (Viking/Penguin), is bringing his cosmic gospel back to the Detroit-area in June.

Rev. Michael Dowd, America's Evolutionary Evangelist, gives a 90-minute presentation, Thank God for Evolution: How The Marriage of Science and Religion Will Transform Your Life and Our World, at the 10 a.m. Sunday service June 15, and 7 p.m.

Monday, June 16, at UU Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington. Call (248) 478-7272.

**Vacation Bible school**

This year will be held with a camping setting 9:15 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 16-20, for all children ages 3 to 12, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Theme is Jesus, Our Forever Friend! Parents may register their children by filling out the online form at [www.holycrosslivonia.org](http://www.holycrosslivonia.org). Children could also register Monday, June 16. Visitors welcome.

**Cosmic City**

Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 16-20, at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth. A fun-filled free event for kids entering kindergarten through entering sixth grade. Call (734) 459-9550, ext. 26.

**Vacation Bible school**

6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 16-20, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Theme is Outrigger Island. Call (734) 464-6722.

**Third Un-Annual Art Show**

Does art have Buddha nature? 7-10 p.m. Friday, June 20, and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday June 21, at Still Point Zen Buddhist Temple 4347 Trumbull Avenue (at Canfield), Detroit. A portion of proceeds support Still Point.

All welcome. Artists include Still Point members, invited guests and juried artists. Poetry reading opening night 9-10 p.m. under the stars (weather permitting). For details, call 313 645 9860 or (313) 580-6825, or send e-mail to [stillpointart08@gmail.com](mailto:stillpointart08@gmail.com).

**Bethany Suburban West**

Monthly Breakfast Meeting 9:30 a.m. Saturday June 21, at Leon's 30149 Ford Rd., Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. Call (734) 513-9479.

**50th anniversary celebration**

Former members and friends are being invited back to Grace Moravian Church in Westland 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 22. A pot luck dinner will follow the service at 31133 Hively. If you are planning to stay for the meal, call Beverly Moore at (734) 722-4102. The Moravian denomination celebrates 550 years since it was founded in 1457. On July 13 former pastor Rev.

Allen Bergmann will be the guest speaker. A pot luck follows that service as well.

**Rummage sale**

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 10-12, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

**Vacation Bible school**

July 14-18, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$25 for first child, \$20 thereafter, includes music CD. Call (734) 464-0211.

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**Vacation Bible school**

Registrations due July 27 for Aug. 4-7 VBS (3-years to fifth grade), at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. The theme is God's Big Backyard and focuses on service to others. Call (734) 421-0149. Cost \$10.

**ONGOING****Time change**

Come to hear about the love of Jesus Christ for you 9:30 a.m. Sundays (May 25 to Sept. 7) at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia. For information, visit [www.livoniah.org](http://www.livoniah.org).

**Sunday worship**

The early service for the Anglican Church of Livonia is at 7:45 a.m. at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, west

of Farmington Road and next to Stevenson High School, Livonia. The 10 a.m. service will continue to be at the Livonia YMCA at 14255 Stark Road, between Lyndon and the I-96 service drive.

**Reformed Protestant services**

The doctrines and teachings of solid Reformed Protestantism are preached by the Rev. Sean Humby 3:30 p.m. Sundays at the Detroit Preaching Station of the Free Church of Scotland (Continuing), at Cherry Hill School, 50440 Cherry Hill, corner of Ridge, Canton. For information, call (734) 402-7186, send e-mail to [sean.humby@att.net](mailto:sean.humby@att.net), or visit [www.members.aol.com/rsiworship/detroit.html](http://www.members.aol.com/rsiworship/detroit.html).

**Sanskrit chanting**

An ongoing, weekly class taught by Ania Kopczynski, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, at Renaissance Unity, 11200 E. 11 Mile, Warren. No pre-registration required. A free-will collection is taken at the session. For information, call (586) 353-2300 or visit [www.renaissanceunity.org](http://www.renaissanceunity.org).

**Church schedule**

Garden City Presbyterian Church continues its 10 a.m. Sunday worship service with traditional hymns, scripture readings and choral music (fellowship follows). Youth Sunday School and nursery care also available at 10 a.m. Adult Sunday School at 8:30 a.m. Informal gathering 6 p.m. every Sunday with scriptures and discussion at the church on Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Rd. Call (734) 421-7620.

**Single Place Ministry**

Single Place Ministry continues to meet Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program, at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit [singleplace.org](http://singleplace.org). Cost is \$5.

**Prince of Peace Church**

Recovery, Inc., meets at 10 a.m., every Wednesday at the church, Walnut Lake Road and Green, West Bloomfield.

Recovery, Inc., is an international, non-profit, self-help community based service organization that helps people with nervous and emotional disorders reduce their suffering and improve their quality of life. Call Martha Paul at (248) 682-9362 or e-mail her at [marthapaul@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marthapaul@sbcglobal.net).

**Tai chi and strength classes**

Orchard United Methodist Church is hosting a Tai Chi class 7:30 p.m. Mondays in the Mac at the church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. The cost per class is \$10 or \$40 prepaid for five classes.

The strength class takes place 9:30-10:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesday. Cost is \$5 per class. Drops in welcome. For information, call (248) 626-3620 or visit [www.orchardumc.org](http://www.orchardumc.org).

**Church offerings**

Riverside Park Church of God, Sunday worship is at 10 a.m., Wednesday bible classes (child through adult) at 7 p.m. Youth outings held monthly. The senior group (age 50 plus) has lunch together every month.

The men get together for breakfast the first Saturday of the month plus we offer choir practice for all singers. All visitors welcome. The church is at 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990 for details.

**Church services**

Want a unique church experience? Join in Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. for a service that will lift your entire family, but be prepared for what will happen after just one service at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh (corner of Plymouth Road), Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990 for information.

**Thursday fellowship dinner**

All are welcome, 6 p.m. dinners catered by The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Cost is \$6. Call (313) 534-7730.

**Thrift store**

Open Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

**Tai Chi class**

Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, is hosting a Tai Chi Class by Sam Purdy, Wu Style Tai Chi.

This meditative form of Martial Arts is great for reducing stress and is great for over-all health memory and balance.

Everyone is welcome from beginning to experienced participants at any time. Classes began 7:30 p.m. Jan. 14, and continue every Monday thereafter. Cost per class depends on number of participants. For information or to reserve your space, call (248) 701-1587 or (248) 626-3620. Visit [www.orchardumc.org](http://www.orchardumc.org) for updates.

**Living Water series**

Mark McGilvrey leads a 10-week video series called H2O starting 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 13, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-6722. The group is open to men and women who would like to review the basic teachings of Jesus who claimed to be living water.

**Couple prayer series**

St. Colette Church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia, is offering a Couple Prayer Series ([www.coupleprayer.org](http://www.coupleprayer.org)) for married or engaged couple, began 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, in the Activity

Center Hall. For registration information, call Mary Ellen at (734) 464-4435.

**ENDOW**

St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia hosts two different sessions of the Archdiocese of Detroit's ENDOW program, a continuing women's study group focused on the dignity of women of all ages and faiths. Based on Pope John Paul II's Letter to Women, the group meets 9:30 a.m. Thursdays (beginning Jan. 10). The second session is called Different Times, Abiding Dignity and deals with a woman's inherent dignity at all stages of her life from 0 to 100. The

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Church school for children and adults begins at 9 a.m. Sunday Vespers are celebrated 5 p.m. Saturdays. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, call (248) 476-3432 (church), (248) 477-4712 (rectory) or Web site at www.orthodoxlivonia.org.

### Pancake breakfasts

The Ushers' Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia continue their 30-year tradition of all-you-can-eat pancake breakfasts on the third Sunday of each month from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The breakfasts are served in the school cafeteria at 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road. Adults, \$5; children ages 4-11, \$3; children under age 3, free; and family (2 adults and all children), \$15. Everyone is welcome.

### Men's breakfast

Ham & eggs, hash browns, pancakes, and more when you come to the Men's Breakfast at 8 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month at tiernan@gmail.com.

The Senate Restaurant, located off Haggerty Road between Five Mile and Six Mile in Northville. All men are invited for fellowship and food. Sponsored by Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990.

### MOPS meetings

The Hosanna-Tabor Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) group began meeting this fall at a new time at the Lutheran church, 9600 Leverne, Redford. Meetings continue the first and third Thursdays of the month at 9:30 a.m. Join in for teaching, discussion, creative projects and presentations. For more information, call (248) 470-5202 or send e-mail to nikki.tierman@gmail.com.

### Bible studies

Regular Bible Study program continues at 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month, focus is on St. Paul's Letters to the Romans, at St. Michael's Catholic Church on the corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads, Livonia. To register, call (734) 261-1445, Ext. 200.

### MOPS groups

Mothers of Preschoolers meets on the first and third Friday mornings or first and third Wednesday evenings at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4, or send e-mail to cbwom-enministries@hotmail.com.

### LOGOS Youth Club

Calling all youth grades 4-12 to join the LOGOS Youth Club at Northville First United Methodist Church. Recreation, dinner, Bible study and music Wednesdays, 5:15-8:15 p.m. began Wednesday, Sept. 26. For information or registration, visit www.fumcnorthville.org or call (248) 349-1144.

### HeartCry

The support group provides hope and help for mothers of prodigals at 7 p.m. on the second, fourth and fifth Wednesdays of each month, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. The group is using the book, The Hope of a Homecoming, by O'Rourke and Sauer (St2). To register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4.

### Women of the word

Bible study meets 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Choose from Covenant, a Precept Upon Precept class, or The Truth Project (new from Focus on the Family).

To register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4 or visit www.vchurches.com/cbc-women.

### Bible study

Get a new life, study Scripture 9:10:30 a.m. Saturdays at Blessed Sacrament Monastery on the northwest corner of 13 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Focus of study is Romans. Call (248) 626-8253 for more information.

### Fellowship Dinners

6 p.m. Thursdays. Dinner catered by The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro. \$6. At St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

### Thrift Shop

9:30-11:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford.

### Registration

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Early Childhood Center is now taking registrations for the fall program at 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. It is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday. Loving and caring programs are offered for toddler, preschool, pre-K, and child care. Call (734) 513-8413.

### Morning prayers

7:30 a.m. Tuesday-Friday, at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware, corner of Puritan, Redford. Please join in as participants start day with prayer. Call (313) 255-6330.

### J.O.Y. meeting

The J.O.Y. Builders (Just Older Youth, ages 50 plus) meet 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month for lunch, fellowship and fun, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join in. There is no charge, although organizers ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share.

### Higher Rock Cafe

Second and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 7:30 p.m., live bands begin at 8 p.m. presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland, 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Avenue and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit www.tscafe4t.com.

### Worship service

10 a.m. Sundays, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

### Sunday worship

10 a.m. at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

### Sunday services

Pastor Dan Strength leads services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God), 11663 Arcola, one block west of Inkster Road on Plymouth Road. Sunday School is 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call (734) 425-6360.

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### Clarenceville United Methodist 20300 Middlebelt Rd. • Livonia 143-474-3444 Pastor Beth Ulbrich Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Nursery Provided

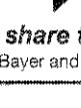
### Redford TIGERSgate United Methodist 10000 Beech Daly South of Plymouth 9:30 - Trad. Worship & Sun. Sch. 11:00 - Contemp. Family Worship [www.redfordtigersgate.org](http://www.redfordtigersgate.org)

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**734-522-6830**

Sunday Worship  
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### Reading Room located at church Saturday 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. 734-453-0970

### WORSHIP SERVICE

### PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

### Presbyterian

### WORSHIP SERVICES

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### Fellowship Presbyterian Church

### Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. • Worship: 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Dr. Jimmy McGuire

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### Services held at: Madonna University's Kresge Hall 36600 Schoolcraft Road • Livonia Parking lot is on N.W. corner of Levin & Schoolcraft • Nursery provided

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## Brown Bag-It with reusable canvas totes

BY WENDY VON BUSKIRK  
O & E STAFF WRITER

**FARMINGTON HILLS** — In an effort to 'go green,' Rene Pass was looking to make small, eco-friendly changes in her life.

The Farmington Hills resident decided to start by bringing canvas totes to the grocery store in order to avoid wasting disposable bags.

But her quest to buy cute, reusable bags proved fruitless.

"When I was looking on the Internet to purchase bags for myself, I found vinyl/plastic bags with designs, and plain cotton totes," she said. "It was difficult to find quality cotton totes that had designs on them."

The mother of two Harrison High School teens decided to take matters into her own hands.

She launched Brown Bag-It Designs with the mission to raise awareness about environmental problems associated with the use of paper and plastic bags, while offering stylish and affordable alternatives.

Pass bought a software program and came up with some simple designs, such as her company's slogan "Positive Choice, Powerful Change." She had them printed on durable bags in two different sizes, and launched a website to sell her wares.

Printed bags are \$13, and plain bags, — "Taller than Wide" or "Wider than Tall" — are \$7.

Pass also offers string market bags (\$7), which are great for fruits and vegetables.

They can be used in place of plastic produce bags at the market, as well as dampened to store produce in the refrigerator to maintain freshness.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. consumes over 380 billion plastic bags, sacks and wraps annually.

Each year, Americans throw away some 100 billion polyethylene plastic bags, and less than one percent of them are recycled.

Once brought into existence to tote purchases, they accumulate and persist on our planet for up to a thousand years.

Paper bags are not much better — it takes 14 billion trees to produce 10 billion grocery bags.

Pass began using recyclable bags last July, but says she's only seen one other person at her local Kroger bring their own canvas totes.

"I'm not sure people are catching onto the idea yet. It's definitely an evolving concept having people understand the idea of global warming and trying to live green," she said.

"I have about five bags that I keep in my car and when I come home from the store I unload my groceries and put my bags back in the car so I won't forget."

The 41-year-old admits it's hard to get into the habit, and she's still not used to using her totes beyond the grocery store.

"I tend to forget when I go into Target or something. I have not gotten real good at that. I'm trying. It's just something you have to work on," she said.

To browse and purchase Brown Bag-Its, visit the company's Web site, [www.brownbagitdesigns.com](http://www.brownbagitdesigns.com).



## Makeup blooms in shades of green

When wandering the booths at Plymouth's first Green Street Fair earlier this month, visitors were sure to see just how good green can look. With so many all natural beauty options it's possible to look good and feel good about the products you choose.

Dollface



Stephanie Casola

Ferndale's Chrissy Wilbee can recall a time when she was a self-confessed product junkie. She'd smell a heavily scented or see interesting packaging and buy a new soap without hesitation. As the one woman show behind Michigan-based

Bob Bon Soap Company,

Wilbee has created her own line of hand-made all natural soaps and bath products.

"I don't use any synthetic fragrances," she said.

The decision to craft a truly

natural product meant she'd be limited by ingredients.

"I knew I was not going to have a chocolate chip cookie soap," said Wilbee. But she also knew the market was

flooded with dessert flavors

and she was offering something clients feel safe using.

"Sixty percent of what we

put onto our skin is absorbed

into the body," she said. Upon

researching the options of

soap-making, Wilbee wanted

to remain as close to nature

as possible. "I want them to

be all natural, pure and sim-

ple and fresh, and really good

for you," she said.

Bob Bon's Up North Natural

soap is made with pine, fir and

balsam extracts. It recreates

the fresh scent that exists when

Wilbee steps outside of her

Rapid River, Mich. workshop.

She splits her time between

metro Detroit and the small

Upper Peninsula town where

her parents reside, and where

she first began experimenting

with soap recipes with help

from her father.

Gardener's Scrub Soap,

made with cocoa butter and cornmeal is gritty

enough to get the dirtiest

gardener's hands clean, and

has a fresh lemony floral

scent. Bergamot Mint soap

is a best-seller for its citrus and mint combination.

"It's become my favorite

soap," said Wilbee. Another

popular option is Lavender

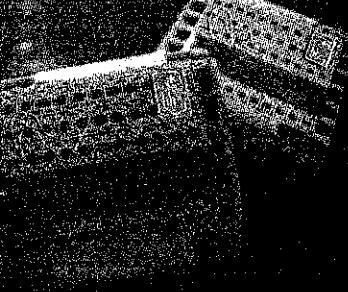
Rosemary. Not only are her

soaps natural and lovely, they

come packaged in recyclable

corrugated cardboard with

petroleum-free labels. Her



Bob Bon Soaps are all natural and made in Michigan.

entire line is sold on [www.bobbonsoapco.com](http://www.bobbonsoapco.com), and at Flip salon in Ferndale.

**Lush Handmade Cosmetics**

was also among the companies featured in the maiden fair this year. With locations at Troy's Somerset Collection, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, and Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights, Lush sells only fresh, handmade products — most made with

so many natural ingredients they come with their own expiration dates.

Because Lush uses few or no preservatives, some items even require refrigeration to stay fresh. The

company — which got its start in

London in the 1970s — uses only organic fruits and vegetables, essential oils and safe synthetics to make a bevy of products.

From bath bombs and

shower jellies to hard shampoo and mud face masks, one item seems more decadent

than the next.

The company's greenest new

additions include a grapefruit

scent called Go Green which

comes in solid perfume and

hard shampoo called Squeaky

Green. Or take a soak in the tub with Geo Phyzz, a bath

bomb subtly scented with pine and made with skin calming

sea salt.

Sustainable living is also

key to Origins Organics line,

featured at the fair. This eco-

conscious line of products is

made under stringent stand-

ards to promote the health

and well-being of consumers,

and the planet. These green-

minded goods include a new

Silkening Body Spritz and

a Body Pampering Massage

Oil. Both 95 percent organic,

the products soothe and soften

skin. Use either after a shower

or as go-to massage oils for

spa-quality pampering. Origins

Organic Soothing Lip Balm is

made from 97 percent organic

ingredients including cocoa

butter and vanilla oil.

**Stephanie Angelyn Casola**

thinks everything green is gold. She writes about beauty, fashion and pop cul-

ture for the Observer & Eccentric

Newspapers. Have an idea suitable

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Contact her at (248) 901-2567

or [scasola@hometownlife.com](mailto:scasola@hometownlife.com).

**ECO-CHIC OPTIONS**

When you go shopping this spring, leave your trendy handbag at home. Reusable canvas totes are the bag of choice for fashion-forward shoppers. In keeping with the green movement, department stores like Target have issued bags their customers can purchase and reuse. Here's a look at a few more:

**IKEA**

Last March, IKEA launched its 'bag the plastic bag' promotion, asking shoppers to buy an iconic IKEA blue bag or provide their own reusable alternative. The campaign was so successful — with 92 percent of customers complying — IKEA will go completely plastic and paper bag-free starting Oct. 1. Blue bags are 59 cents at the Canton location, or bring your own.

**Macy's**

In honor of its Turn Over a New Leaf campaign, Macy's locations nationwide are offering 100 percent cotton totes for \$3.95 while supplies last, with proceeds benefitting the National Parks Foundation. Macy's also offers a canvas tote by Kenneth Cole emblazoned with the words "USE ME ... Again and Again and Again ... I'm used to it."

**Nordstrom**

Starting May 19, Nordstrom began offering an eco-chic brushed linen tote featuring a metallic cityscape illustration by famed artist Robert Toledo. The bags, which collapse and zip into a sleek silver rectangle you can stash in your purse, are \$21.95 at Nordstrom locations at Somerset Collection in Troy, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi and The Shops at Partridge Creek in Clinton Township.

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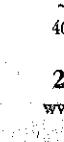
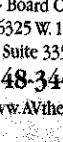
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